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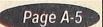
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#### Clouds, showers in store

After a welcome warm spell, the temperature will be in the 70s today and Friday with partly cloudy skies on Friday.

A chance of rain and possible thunderstorms exists on Saturday, with Sunday mostly cloudy and cool.

#### Pumpkin **Fest set**

Romulus will host its first Pumpkin Festival this weekend in the downtown area, Goddard Road and Olive.

Prizes for pumpkins, sunflowers, pies and canned items will be featured along with entertainment and con-

#### **Officials** take classes

On Oct. 1, 30 school district administrators will attend a leadership academy at the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

Districts participating include Inkster, Romulus, Wayne-Westland and West-

#### Canoes take tour

An autumn tour on the Huron River in the 34-foot, 18- passenger Great Canoe starts at Oakwoods Metropark at 12:30, 2 and 3:30 p.m. on Oct. 5, 11 and 12.

There is a \$2.50 per person or \$30 per group fee. Register by calling 782-3956.

#### Diet drugs banned

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration took two weight-loss drugs off the shelves of stores after determining that Redux and Pondimim may cause serious heart and lung damage.

They are chemically known as dexfenfluramine and fenfluramine, popularly known as fen-phen.

#### Hawkfest staged

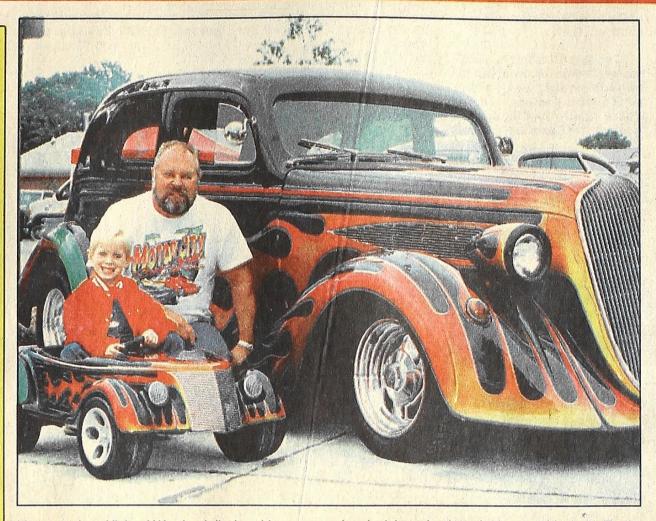
A two-day celebration of the annual fall migration of birds of prey - hawks, eagles, falcons, owls and vultures - will be staged Sept. 20 and 21 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Marshlands Museum and Nature Center at Lake Erie Metropark.

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Young Andrew Klein of Westland displays his custom painted mini-car that is parked next to his dad's (Paul) 1936 Nash at last Thursday evening's auto show kick off in downtown Romulus MCN photo by Lori Gillespie

#### Car show may become annual event in Romulus

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

More than 170 classic and modified vehicles joined the Romulus car show kickoff last Thursday along part of the newly revamped Goddard road, attracting more than 1.000 onlookers to downtown Romulus.

David Callison, co-owner of Udders store and coordinator of the local kickoff to the Motor City National extravaganza, revealed almost all the feedback he has had to date has been positive.

Udders offered a catered chicken and ribs meal in the parking lot of his store last Thursday evening as the throngs examined the pampered vehicles from Michigan, New York and Iowa.

Callison contacted Mayor William Oakley and explained the opportunity that was at hand last week. He then set up arrangements with Gary Meadors, president of the Good Guys Rod and Custom lison said, "but first we need to

Club" of California to have the kickoff of the weekend display in Romulus.

"The Mayor promised Goddard road would be able to handle the visiting cars, as well as visitors," Callison said, "and he was right."

The fact that Oakley and several council members attended the kickoff also impressed Meadors, Callison said.

A uniquely painted 1936 Nash owned by Paul Klein of Westland was among those on display in Romulus (photo above). Callison said Klein's car later was presented with a "Dare to be Different" award at the weekend show at the Meadowbrook in Rochester Hills. More than 2,050 cars were on display last weekend there, he said.

Callison expects to have a similar kickoff party in Romulus next year, but said no date has been set yet for the

main weekend extravaganza. "Our ultimate goal is to have the main car show here," Calfind a suitable display area for the valuable cars (that range in value from \$20,000 to \$100,000)."

Once Tangers Outlet Mall is constructed in Romulus, its parking lot could be the perfect site for such a vehicle display, Callison said. That site coupled with the

Detroit Metropolitan Airport and nearby hotels could solidify Meadors' interest in our city, Callison said. If such a car show was con-

ducted in Romulus, he speculated, visitors could possibly leave behind as much as \$1 million with local businesses.

Callison added that "it could also be a major boost to future Pumpkin Festivals in Romulus."

Oakley expressed great enthusiasm over the turnout at the downtown car show kickoff. "It is just grand to have this kind of fun activity in our community. We hope that other such outings can be planned in the future."

#### Airport terminal completion date off least 1 year

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Roadside sta

When will the massive new Northwest Airlines midfield terminal at Detroit Metropolitan Airport be completed?

During the heat of President Clinton's re-election battle last year Clinton even visited the Romulus-based airport and Wayne County officials listed the completion date as December 2000.

But the completion date for the giant midfield terminal has become a lot more fluid in recent days, based on words offered in a Northwest Airlines advertisement and later by an official airport spokesman.

It was reported last week in a Northwest advertisement printed in a trade journal Engineering News Record that the \$500 million midfield terminal won't open until the year 2001.

The ad reportedly invites various contractors to enter the bidding competition listing the starting dates as 1999 and a hoped for completion date in

With the whirl of political fever aimed at a large Michigan turnout for Clinton last year, the December 2000 completion date was enthusiastically bandied about in Wayne County circles.

Last Friday June West, spokesperson for Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara, was asked for a comfirmation or denial of the new date by this Michigan Community Newspaper writer.

Instead on Monday the message came back from Michael Conway, airport spokesperson, who wrote "when the midfield terminal agreement between the county and Northwest was announced last May, the completion date was forecast for December 2000."

That early "optimistic (political) guess" was made well before any specific design and engineering work was started,

Conway's statement added. His statement went on "the

cent complete. Once the design is 30 percent complete the lead architect will be able to determine a more accurate construction schedule.'

Thus there remains a possibility that even a later completion date could be announced during another political year 1998, based on the amount of construction delays throughout Michigan this year.

> We (the public) should also remember that there is a tremendous amount of construction underway now ...

> > - Michael Conway

Conway's statement concluded by saying "we (the public) should also remember that there is a tremendous amount of construction underway now including the continuation of the airport's south access road and \$60 million worth of interim improvements to the existing terminal complex."

Conway also reminded Wayne County residents "some of these interim projects are already complete and construction is actually moving along at a fairly impressive rate.'

Thus local residents should also remember that the 2001 date is not sealed in concrete yet. Construction dates have a history locally of getting stretched out.

If you doubt that feeling call Romulus Salvation Army Major Brian Merritt (one year late on current Van Born-Middlebelt road complex) or downtown Romulus merchants (months late on the Goddard road project) for their views.

#### Boys, Girls Club is urged

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Will Romulus business leaders and local church leaders support a planned Boys and Girls Club effort

Romulus Middle School Lab 2000 teacher John Juriga is seeking to learn first hand about such support for the club in coming months.

Juriga recently conducted a two-hour meeting with 25 local club enthusiasts at the Middle School and had Jeff Amy, Boys and Girls Club district chairman from Chicago, on hand to outline the benefits of adding such a facility and program to the Romulus scene.

"Such facilities across the U.S. range from small houses to large buildings equipped

with pools," Juriga said. The computer ageinstructor, who personally has been involved in numerous volunteer construction projects outside the U.S., is seeking to enthuse Romulus' movers and shakers to accept such a project.



John Juriga

Among those who attended the Middle School meeting were Mayor William Oakley, School District Curriculum Thomas Dolan, Police Chief Charles Kirby and representatives of State Sen. Loren Bennett and County Commissioner Bruce Patterson.

Only days after meeting with project supporters, Juriga spoke before the Greater Romulus Chamber of Commerce and urged their involvement in the youth related effort.

He also displayed a Boys and Girls Club video that outlined the group's positive stances in enhancing youths' self esteem and helping to curb juvenile delinquency.

Juriga and his workers will need to raise probably at least \$200,000 or more to get the effort started in Romulus, since membership for youth (ages 7 to 21) charges only a nominal annual membership fee (from \$1 to \$5).

Some of Juriga's immediate goals include putting together a board of directors (complete with officers) and later hiring an executive director and other leaders for the program. At least 100 children will

need to be signed up before the doors of such a Romulus related Boys and Girls Club can open, Juriga said.

It is hoped that the project drive can be completed within a year, Juriga said. In the mean time he hopes to speak to various Romulus social and religious groups to gain their

#### Pumpkin Festival to begin Saturday

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Food vendors for this weekend's Pumpkin Festival in downtown Romulus will begin setting up at 4:30 p.m. tomorrow, with crafters and merchandise vendors following two hours later.

The festival sites complete with at least 150 orange pumpkins to set the mood for the first time ever social time have been promised by Susan Watts, co-chairperson of the event.

Almost round the clock secular and Christian based musical entertainment will be offered on Goddard road, Watts said, and numerous pumpkin related contests have been set up for both Saturday and Sunday.

Early on Saturday morning, judging will begin for a Mr. and Ms. Pumpkin People (ages 18-24) followed later by judging of various pumpkins and sunflowers.

For the daring there also will be a pumpkin seed spitting contest at 3 p.m.

Featured musical groups will include: Gospel Notes, Channel 6, Life, Faces of Adam, L.L.P. and Crew, Red Garter Band and the Vocal Arts Ensemble of Michigan.

On Sunday a pie baking contest is slated for 1 p.m. followed by pumpkin rolling contest a 2 p.m. and a potato sack race at 3 p.m.

Capping off the two day event will be a diaper derby at

Goddard road will be closed off to regular traffic from Olive street to the railroad tracks during the weekend from 2 p.m. on Friday to 9 p.m. on Sunday.

Parking for festival participants will be offered at the old Romulus Junior High field off Olive street and at St. Aloysius Church lots off Neville.

Watts and her cochairperson Maria Lambert will be seeking comments during and after the festival from participants and visitors as to how the festival can be improved and enhanced in future

#### Tests show substantial increases over 1996

Governor John Engler hailed the most up-to-date statewide results of the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP). Overall, the results show a significant increase in the writing scores, an increase in the fifth grade science scores, and a decrease in the eighth grade science

Non-public schools results paralleled these trends.

"Students, teachers, administrators and parents can be extremely proud of these results," said Governor Engler. "The hard work in the classroom and at home has paid off. I'm particularly proud of the hard-working teachers who have persisted -- under increasing pressure -- and achieved such outstanding re-

Compared to 1996 results, an additional 17.8 percent (73.4 The overall trend in MEAP scores is one of tremendous improvement, and while eighth grade science scores took a small dip, I know that students, teachers and parents will meet the challenge.

Governor John Engler

percent compared to 55.6 percent in 1996) of fifth graders received a proficient score in writing, and an additional 7.9 percent (77.0 percent compared to 69.1 last year) of the eighth grade students tested received a proficient score.

In science, 9.9 percent more (36.8 percent compared to 26.9 percent in 1996) fifth graders received a proficient score.

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Eighth graders declined 4.0 percent (17.5 percent compared to 21.5 percent last year) in the number of students scoring proficient.

"The overall trend in MEAP scores is one of tremendous improvement, and while eighth grade science scores took a small dip, I know that students, teachers and parents will meet the challenge.

"Over the years, I've talked tough about the need to improve our schools, and I've laid out significant challenges. I'm proud that Michigan's teachers and students have risen to the occasion and met my high expectations. Our goal must continue to be having the best schools in America," the Governor added.

#### Local gardener wins 33 ribbons

When Walter Warren of Westland is not sharing his opinions on politics and economics through his frequent contributions to MCN's Letters to the Editor, he may be watering his squash plants, or training a gourd vine up into an apple tree.

The Westland gardener won 33 ribbons in the vegetable department at the 1997 Michigan State Fair. His ribbons included a Best of Show award for best peck basket display, and five other blue ribbons in categories like best scallop squash, best buttercup squash, best paste tomatoes, and best Hungarian peppers.

Warren successfully completed the MSU Extension Service's Master Gardener Program several years ago, but did not join the Master Gardener Association because he was "too busy gardening."

Warren's garden is on his 3/4 acre lot in Westland on which he grows 80 varieties of Hostas, old-style hollyocks, laylilies to vegetables.

He also accepts "volunteers" into his garden - wild plants such as Queen Anne's lace, goldenrod, Dyer's teasel, giant bull thistle and mullien.

Police Reports Van Buren's Public Safety

Department reported these incidents for the week of Sept. 2 through 7:

A car fire was reported in the vicinity of Ecorse and Haggerty roads at 3:39 p.m. Sept. 2.

A breaking and entering was reported at 12:05 p.m. Sept. 3 in the 16000 block of Haggerty Road.

An injury accident was reported at 12:32 p.m. at the corner of Ecorse and Haggerty Road.

Phone harassment was reported at 7:12 p.m. at Town and Country.

A narcotics arrest was made at 2:36 p.m. Sept. 4 in the vicinity of Sumpter and Hull A "peeper" was reported at

10:57 p.m. on Sumpter Road. Van Buren Police lended

their support to the Belleville Police, who were responding to a domestic violence call on Henry street at 5:56 p.m. Sept.

Police were called to break up a party at which marijuana was possibly being used in the Harbour Club complex at 12:16 a.m. Sept. 6.

A possible breaking and entering in progress was reported at 2:38 a.m. in the Van Buren Estates.

Belleville police got back up from the Van Buren police in responding to a domestic violence call at 7 p.m. in the 25000 block of Martinsville

A large party resulted in an assault and battery at 11:54 p.m. on Birch Road.

A rollover accident was re- Hannan.

ported on westbound I-94, near the rest area at 4:42 a.m. Sept. 7. At 2:24 p.m., I-94 and Haggerty Road was the site of another rollover accident, which resulted in serious injuries.

A cellular phone was reported stolen at 7:41 p.m. in the 9700 block of Van Buren Road.

Van Buren's Public Safety Department reported these incidents for the week of Sept. 8 through 14:

An assault and battery was reported on Edwards Street at 12:46 a.m. Sept. 8.

A traffic arrest was made after the driver of a vehicle traveling on Haggerty near Tyler at 1:40 p.m. produced false information to the police officer.

A traffic arrest was made at Ford and Parkwood at 11:12 p.m. Sept. 9. According to the police report, the suspect was driving on a suspended/ revoked license, and has \$8,800 worth of warrants for his arrest.

An assault was reported at 12:07 a.m. Sept. 10 on Marlowe

Officers were called to the 41000 block of Cooledge at 4:58 p.m. to break up an argument which involved baseball bats.

was reported with possible shots fired on Archwood at 1:52 p.m. Sept. 12. An assault and battery was

A breaking and entering

reported on Lakevilla at 9:04 p.m. Sept. 13. A report of recklessly driven dirtbikes came in at

9:19 p.m. from S. Woodbury. The fire department responded to a fire in a yard at

10:12 p.m. in the 13000 block of

#### Statue theft in court

MCN Staff Writer

A Westland man accused of stealing three-feet tall statues from a Romulus lawn, waived his preliminary hearing on a larceny over \$100 charge last week in 34th District Court.

The defendant, Ellis Kenard, 39, appeared before 3 and after consulting with the public defender, decided to waive his hearing.

from a Washington street home Sept. 17.

in both the front and back seat of Kennard's car.

The recovered statues were only a small portion of the number of lawn ornaments stolen from Romulus residences in recent weeks.

Several missing lawn. statues reportedly were taken from the yard of Romulus May Judge William Szlinis on Sept. oralty candidate Leo Knasiak as well as other residential properties.

Kennard's case was bound Romulus police claim they over to the Frank Murphy Hall spotted large statues taken of Justice for further action on

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Beginning October 1, 1997, a \$10.00 charge will be added to each legal description in accordance with the State Tax Law. Delinquent tax notices for the year 1995 are being mailed now to last owner of record. If you owe 1995 taxes and have not received a notice, please contact:

> RAYMOND J. WOJTOWICZ Wayne County Treasurer International Center Building 400 Monroe, Suite 520 Detroit, MI 48226-2942

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#### Rivers is guest at housing seminar

Congresswoman Lynn Rivers will be a guest at the 2 to 4 p.m. Sept. 28 free Housing Seminar at Washtenaw Community College in Ann Arbor. Free pizza will be served and there are

Call 1-800-732-6643 to reserve a place.

#### Summer taxes include fee

Canton summer taxes can be paid at 1150 S. Canton Center Road. Beginning this week, a one percent interest fee is being added.

On Oct. 1, the penalty becomes two percent and increases accordingly each month through Feb. 28, 1998 -- the last day Canton can collect these taxes.

The treasurer's office is open weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., and residents can also use the deposit slot on the northwest wall before or after hours. Checks should be made out to "Canton Township Treasurer."

#### **Nominations** close Sept. 19

The YWCA of Western Wayne County is accepting nominations for its Women of Achievement Awards through tomorrow (Sept. 19).

Awards will be presented to women in six categories at the Nov. 7 annual Awards Luncheon.

Call YWCA at 561-4110 for information regarding nominations or to order tickets for the annual luncheon.

#### Local girl attends Olympic gymnast program

Katie Rasmusson of Canton was a participant in the National Olympic Elite Development Program. She scored the required points to qualify for the OEPD National Team.

She is a member of the Twisters Gymnastics Club Silver Star program.

#### Sign language classes slated

Sign language classes are slated at the Westland Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center).

Beginning sign language is taught from 9 to 10 a.m. Wednesdays and advanced classes are 10 to 11 a.m. on the same day.

Beginning II and intermediate sign language classes are taught from 11 a.m. until noon.

Classes are free for Westland seniors, and there is a \$10 fee for non-residents.

#### Deadline for disaster aid extended

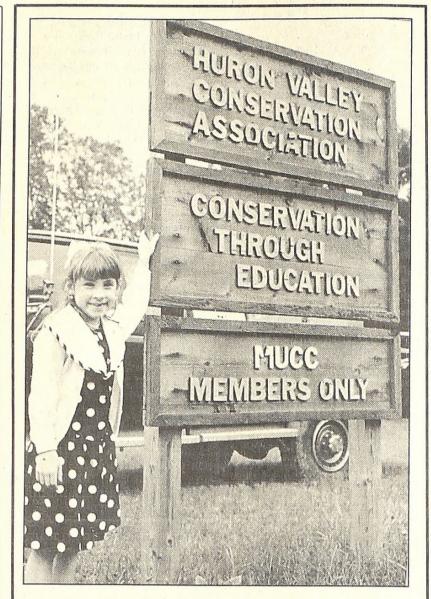
The deadline to register for disaster assistance has been extended until Sept. 23 for individuals in Wayne County who suffered losses in the severe storms on July

Any person seeking assistance should call 1-800-462-9029.

#### **Foster** care homes sought

Youth Living Centers' Foster Care Program is seeking caring people to open their hearts and homes to children who need a safe haven.

Those interested in becoming a foster parent may call Noreen Green at 728-3400.



#### **Prize winner**

Monique Odom, 6, who was a winner in the junior members' photo contest sponsored by the Huron Valley Conservation Association, posed for a photograph just before the winners were announced. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

#### School-to-work program is a TEAM effort for 28

By JENNY JOHNSON MCN Special Writer

What kind of training do high school students need to earn gainful employment directly out of high school?

Education Academic Model, is a partnership between Wayne-Westland Community Schools, South Redford Schools, Detroit Diesel Corporation, UAW Local 163 and other Detroit area manufacturers.

The goal of TEAM is to provide academically and technically literate high school graduates who are fully prepared to enter the 21st century workplace.

The program provides up to 30 high school juniors and seniors with skills for advanced high performance manufacturing, school-to-work- experience, applied academics like physics, math and communication skills and career technical training.It also prepares the students for the work place through job shadowing and paid internships.

Requirements for the TEAM program are: entering junior year of high school; ninth grade reading and math skills; completion of pre- algebra; minimum 2.5 GPA; excellent attendance; proper credit requirements for graduation; year program.

commitment to paid summer internship program; commitment to paid after school work experience during senior year; appropriate work place behaviors; applied work place skills; counselor recommendation;

directly out of high school.

There are no guarantees of a job but DDC and other participating employers do look at the TEAM graduates when

2003, Michigan will need just for the auto industry

DDC is giving \$80,000 a year to fund the program and TEAM received a \$60,000 startup grant from the Michigan

Wayne-Westland began a pilot program in January 1997 to test the curriculum and other aspects of the program. Project TEAM is expected to become a state wide model program.

Now there are 28 juniors

The program is designed for

students with average to above average grades who are interested in gainful employment

they hire new employees.

It is estimated by the year 122,000 replacement workers,

Jobs Commission.

from John Glenn, Wayne Memorial and South Redford High Schools who will be the first to go through the full two

#### SEMCOG reports Canton has largest population growth

The Canton community continues to lead most other communities in the seven-county metropolitan Detroit region when it comes to population growth and new residential housing starts.

A recently released report from SEMCOG (Southeast Michigan Council of Governments) show that Canton recorded the largest population growth of the 43 communities in Wayne County between April 1990 and July 1996.

The US Census reported Canton's population at 57,040 in 1990, but six years later SEMCOG notes that Canton's population had reached 66,776. That represents the addition of 9,736 new residents to the community. Northville Township was the only other Wayne County community anywhere near Canton, having added 2,879 residents in the same time frame.

Canton's population increase represents a 17.1 percent growth rate during the 1990-1996 period. Only Huron Township (with 18.1%) recorded a larger percentage growth gain, but it fell short of Canton in terms of actual numbers. Huron added 1,890 new residents by comparison.

Based on the SEMCOG numbers, Canton is the fifth largest community in Wayne County (excluding the City of Detroit). It's population of 66 is just shy of Taylor's 68,016.

Canton planners note, however, that the recent SEMCOG numbers only cover up to the summer of 1996 and do not take into account growth during the second half of 1996 and throughout the first eight months of 1996. Based on the new report it appears that Canton is adding approximately 1,600 new residents each year.

A recently completed middecade population census undertaken by Canton showed the community's population at 67,809 as the spring of 1997.

Canton Planner Jeff Goulet, however, notes that the census didn't account for every single resident since it was impossible to determine the total number of persons occupying units who didn't respond. Goulet estimates Canton's true population as exceeding

The SEMCOG report is

based on the issuance of building permits and other changes in communities since the 1990 census:

Canton also increased its occupied housing units total from 19,542 in 1990 to 23,642 in 1995, an increase of 21 percent. The increase in housing units total from 19,542 in 1990 to 23,642 in 1995, an increase of 21 percent. The increase in housing units is the third fastest in Wayne County behind Huron and Northville townships. But it is also first in actual numbers with an increase of 4,100 new occupied housing

In a separate SEMCOG report on residential construction Canton was fourth in the entire seven-county region for authorized new dwelling units with 984 in 1996. Canton led the region with 1,038 in 1995. Canton also led Wayne County in single family housing starts in 1996 with 672 units.

As for this year, Canton has already seen some 461 single family housing starts and 187 multi-family units for a total of 648 units through the month of

#### William Camp joins administration

By JENNY JOHNSON MCN Special Writer

Having two full time jobs is hard work. Just ask the new executive director for Secondary Education for the Wayne Westland Community School District William Camp. He began his new job the beginning of September but he is still principal of Stevenson Middle School until the position is

His new position includes implementing the student code of conduct and developing the curriculum for the middle schools and high schools in the district including the career technical center and the alternative education pro-

He will also regularly meet with learning consultants and counselors.

"I want to focus on curriculum to help us all go in the same direction. I want to do things for the good of the kids," he said.

Does he miss being with the students? He said his new job is "exciting but it is so quiet at the board office."

Because he has been around the kids so long that's the toughest change he said.

He began his career with the district teaching biology in 1972. He coached junior varsity football at JGHS from 1976 until 1983 when he was appointed assistant principal at Wayne Memorial High School. In 1990 he became principal at Stevenson Junior High School.

He said anytime a former student comes back and says thanks, he knows why he went into education.

Camp said he knows of

three former students who went into medicine after taking his human physiology class It was a former high school

teacher that inspired Camp to go into education. Monty Anderson was his

high school biology teacher. 'He's the reason I became a science teacher," Camp said.

Anderson went on to become a principal at a junior high then an assistant superintendent and retired as superintendent of the Jackson

Camp has a bachelor of scifrom Michigan State University. He earned a master's in biology from Eastern Michigan University and Ed. Specialist Degree in administration from Wayne State University.

He has been a member of the: Wayne-Westland Building Administration Association; Wayne-Westland Curriculum

Council; Wayne-Westland Middle School Advisory; Superintendent's Cabinet; Secondary Principals Association; Middle School Transition Team; Friends of Education Free Book; Distribution Committee; Superintendent's Attendance Boundary Realignment Task

As principal of Stevenson for the past seven years he has seen many new programs.

"Stevenson has typically been an experimental area. Regardless of the staff it has always been open to try new and different things," Camp

They were the first school to try team teaching when the building first opened in the 1960s. Former superintendent Timothy Dyer was principal at the time, Camp said.

He and his wife, Christine have a 16-year old daughter Courtney and an 11-year old son, William.



#### Afghan on sale

Cheryl Kennedy, Westland Chamber of Commerce administrative assistant, displays a Westland afghan which is now on sale. It features scenes from Westland: Historical Museum, Public Library, Playscape, City Hall, Perrinsville School and a Winterfest symbol. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

#### Mini-grant provides funds for books

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Fifteen books about trees have been added to the shelves at the Romulus Public Library, Librarian Diane Hazen revealed recently.

Funds for the books (\$700) were obtained via a grant from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Forest Management Division.

The books include: Trees of Michigan and the Upper Great Lakes by Norman Smith, Michigan Flora parts 1, 2 and 3 by Edward Voss, Eyewitness Handbook--Trees by Allen Coombes, Trees of North America by C. Brockman, The Illustrated Book of Trees by William Grimm, the National Audubon Society Field Guide to North

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Fact sheets.

New children's books include: Crinkleroot's Guide to Knowing the Trees by Jim Arnosky, The Big Tree by Bruce Hiscock, The Heart of the Wood by Marguerite Davol, Wonders of the Forest by Francene American Trees and Street Tree Sabin, The Gift of the Tree by

Alvin Tresselt, How Trees Help Me by Bobbie Kalman, A Tree in the Forest by Jan Thornbill and The Tremendous Tree Book by Barbara Brenner.

#### MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL **HELD SEPTEMBER 2, 1997**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem, Randolph Gear

Present: Absent: None

Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth

Excused: Collins

Administrative Officials in Attendance: William Oakley, Mayor Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk

Motion by Prybyla, supported by Wadsworth to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

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2A. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Romak to approve the minutes of the Romulus City Council held August 25, 1997 as corrected.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Councilman Raspberry enters at 7:38 p.m. 97-389

4A. Motion by Romak, supported by Wadsworth to send a letter of condolence to the Royal Family on the tragic death of Princess Diana.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

4B. Motion by Romak, supported by Wadsworth to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Mack Burkett.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

4. Motion by Crova, supported by Prybyla to accept the Chairperson's Report.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously. 97-391 5A. Motion by Crova, supported by Prybyla to enter into an agree-

ment for Storm Water Retention and Discharge Restriction System with Hall Transportation located at 28475 Wick.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

5B. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Romak to concur with the recommendation of Bill Griffin, City Assessor and authorize the redemption of tax reverted Parcel #114-99-0012-000 formerly Buffalo Tank to Ronald Mondrush. The total amount of outstanding property taxes, delinquent city services and special assessments is Two Hundred, Forty Three Thousand, Ninety Dollars and Fifty One Cents (\$243,090.51).

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

97-393

5C. Motion by Raspberry, supported by Romak to concur with the recommendation of David Allison, Fire Chief and grant authorization to request proposals for Ambulance Service.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

97-394

5D1. Motion by Romak, supported by Prybyla to concur with the recommendation of Mayor Oakley and to appoint Jennifer L. Nemeth to the Tax Increment Finance Authority with the term to expire November 30, 1998.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

5D2. Motion by Crova, supported by Wadsworth to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Dorothy Lambert.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

5. Motion by Romak, supported by Crova to accept the Mayor's Report.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Prybyla, Raspberry, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

97-396 6A1. Motion by Romak, supported by Wadsworth to approve the second reading and final adoption of Budget Amendments 97/98-6 introduced at the meeting of August 25, 1997 for the purpose of enhancing policing techniques with the addition of K-9 program. Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry,

Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

6A2a. Motion by Crova, supported by Wadsworth to remove from the table the bid award recommendation on excess City Owned Property Bids 97-40 and 97-42.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

6A2b. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Crova to concur with the recommendation of the Property Disposition Committee and award excess City Owned Property Bid 97-40 as follows:

DP# 020-01-0074-300 Lots 74 and 75 inclusive, Grand Park Subdivision Award To: Roy Williams Reject Low Bid: Tom Maycock 500.00 Market Value: 2,500.00 **ZONING RIB** 

DP# 020-01-0076-300 Lots 76 and 77 inclusive, Grand Park Subdivision Award To: Roy Williams \$2,500.00 Reject Low Bid: Tom Maycock 500.00 Market Value: 2,500.00 **ZONING RIB** 

DP#020-01-0022-000 Lots 22 and 23 inclusive, Grand Park Subdivision Reject Low Bid: Tom Maycock 450.00 Market Value: 2,400.00 ZONING R1B

DP# 020-01-0082-000 Lots 82 and 83 inclusive, Grand Park Subdivision Reject Low Bid: Tom Maycock Market Value: 2,500.00 **ZONING R1B** 

DP# 020-01-0086-300 Lots 86 and 87 inclusive, Grand Park Subdivision Reject Low Bid: Tom Maycock 400.00 Market Value: 2,500.00 ZONING RIB

DP# 020-01-0094-000 Lots 94 and 95 inclusive, Grand Park Subdivision Award To: Sabrina Toson 2,500.00 Reject Low Bid: Robert McEachern 1,122.00 Market Value: 2,500.00 ZONING RIB

DP# 020-01-0177-300 Lots 177 and 178 inclusive, Grand Park Subdivision Reject Low Bid: Tom Maycock 500.00 Reject Low Bid: Robert McEachern 1,122.00 Market Value: 2,600.00 **ZONING RIB** 

DP# 020-01-0212-300 Lots 212 and 213 inclusive, Grand Park Subdivision Reject Low Bid: Robert McEachern 1,122.00 Market Value: 2,400.00 **ZONING R1B** 

DP# 020-01-0218-301 Lots 218 and 219 inclusive, Grand Park Subdivision Award To: Robert McEachern 2,722.00 Reject Low Bid: Tom Maycock 350.00 Market Value: 2,700.00 ZONING RIB

DP# 020-01-0298-300 Lots 298 and 299 inclusive, Grand Park Subdivision Reject Low Bid: Robert McEachern 1,122.00 Market Value: 2,600.00 **ZONING RIB** 

DP# 020-03-0034-000 Lots 34, Wayne Ecorse Subdivision Award To: Robert McEachern 4,022.00 Market Value: 3,400.00 **ZONING RIB** 

DP# 034-01-0034-000 Lot 34 and 35 inclusive, Ecorse Villa Subdivision Award To: Andre Taylor Market Value: 3,000.00 **ZONING RIA** 

DP# 042-99-0033-000 Acreage .81 Acre Reject Low Bid: Tom Maycock 1,100.00 Market Value: 4,900.00 **ZONING R1B** 

DP# 044-01-0167-000 Lot 167 and 168 and 169, Ecorse City Subdivision Reject Low Bid: Tom Maycock 1,100.00 Market Value: 4,600.00 **ZONING R1B** 

DP# 020-02-0006-300 Lots 6 and 7, Inclusive Joe Louis Subdivision Award To: Calvin West 5,560.00 Market Value: 5,500.00 Zoning C1

DP# 020-99-0058-000 Acreage 1.34 Award To: Calvin West 10,100.00 Reject Low Bid: William Taylor 5,001.00 Market Value: 10,100.00 Zoning C1

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

97-399 6A3. Motion by Romak, supported by Wadsworth to concur with the recommendation of the Property Disposition Committee and award the balance of Bid 97-40 as follows:

DP# 020-03-0051-000 Lot 51, Wayne Ecorse Subdivision Award To: CB Darnell \$3,000.00 Reject Bid: Robert McEachern 4,722.00 Market Value: 2,800.00 Zoning R1B Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Gear, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - Crova, Prybyla. Motion Carried.

6A4. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Crova to concur with the recommendation of the Property Disposition Committee and award Bid 97-42 as follows:

DP# 001-99-0016-000 Acreage 21.58 Less Road Right Away Award Bid: A & D Contracting \$83,000.00 Market Value: 82,500.00

DP# 020-01-0177-300 Lots 177 and 178 inclusive, Grand Park Sub Award Bid: Godina Boyd \$2,600.00 Market Value: 2,600.00 Zoning RIB

Zoning MT2

DP# 077-23-0048-000 Lot 48 and 49, Junction Subdivision, Block 23 Award Bid: Anita Robinson \$3,301.00 Market Value: 3,200.00

Zoning R1B DP# 100-01-0006-300

Lot 6 thru 15 inclusive, Taylor Road Subdivision Award Bid: Thomas Wright \$2,000.00 Market Value: 1,700.00 Zoning R1B

DP# 100-01-0016-000 Lot 16, Taylor Road Subdivision Award Bid: Thomas Wright \$200.00 Market Value: 100.00 Zoning R1B

DP# 100-01-0022-000 Lot 22, Taylor Road Subdivision \$200.00 Award Bid: Thomas Wright Market Value: 100.00 Zoning R1B

DP# 100-01-0033-300 Lot 33 and 34 inclusive, Taylor Road Subdivision Award Bid: Thomas Wright \$400.00 Market Value: 200.00 Zoning R1B

DP# 100-01-0037-000 Lot 37 and 38 inclusive, Taylor Road Subdivision Award Bid: Thomas Wright \$400.00 Market Value: 200.00 Zoning RIB

DP# 100-01-0072-000 Lot 72, Taylor Road Subdivision Award Bid: Thomas Wright \$200.00 Market Value: 100.00 Zoning R1A

DP# 141-99-0031-701 Acreage 1.02 Reject Bid: Nazeeh Oudeh \$501.00 Market Value: 4,500.00

DP# 144-99-0024-000 Acreage 3.78 Reject Bid: Nazeeh Oudeh \$501.00 Market Value: 9,200.00

Zoning R1A

Zoning R1A

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Crova, Gear, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - Prybyla.

Motion Carried. 97-401 6A5. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Romak to concur with the

recommendation of the Property Disposition Committee and award the balance of Bid 97-42 with no stipulations and that the property is sold "AS IS", "WHERE IS" as follows: DP# 042-99-0033-000

.81 Acres Award Bid: Thomas Wright \$5,000.00 Market Value: \$4,900.00 **ZONING R1B** 

DP# 117-99-0030-032 and DP# 120-99-0013-000 combined Acreage 1.08 and 21.44 acres respectively Award Bid: Thomas Wright \$72,450.00

Combined Market Value: \$70,000 ZONING RIB and RIA

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

6A6. Item withdrawn at Councils request.

97-402

8. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Prybyla to adopt a resolution to encourage the Detroit News and Detroit Free Press to comply with the right of the striking worker to return to their job.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

11. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Romak to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Raspberry, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan

I, Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held September 2, 1997.

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan

# Local dancers win awards in competition

Seventy-five dancers from Susie's Dance Pointe of Westland recently returned from a competition in Virginia.

Dancers must qualify at the regional level to attend the national level event, according to instructor Susie Roy.

"Two of our groups competed successfully in the Show Biz National Talent competition," Roy said.

Sarah Roeder, 13; Trista Phenix, 11; and Courtney Stone, 12, competed as a trio and tap danced to *Rip It Up*. They received first place and overall awards recently.

Those who performed a jazz dance to I Was Made For Lovin' You and won first place and overall awards plus the Top Ten at the Nationals were Kristi Tharp, Aaron Lada, Syndey Korth, Courtney Stone, David Reeves, Barbara Kay, Allison Sword, Ashley Mitchell, Trista Phenix, Stacey

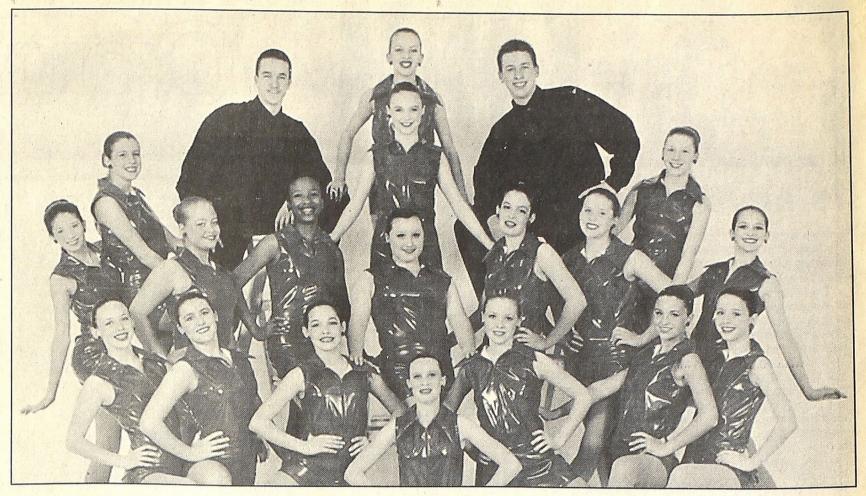
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- Susie Roy

Harrison, Laura Olejarczyk, Summar Ronning, Teresa Soleau, Lisa Hay, Nicole Burling, Sarah Roeder, Katie Tittensor, Jada Ronning, Heather Switzer and Kelly Verville.

The dancers have competed at regional, state and national dance competitions and have won first, second and third place award and scholarships from past competitions.

Brook Formolo, the current Wayne-Westland Jr. Miss, is a member of the competition team.



Dancers from Susie's Dance Pointe who participated in the 'I Was Made for Lovin' You' number are pictured above. MCN Special Photo

#### Top nursing home volunteer honored

Despite health problems of her own, Sallie Blashill is always available to hold a hand or offer a kind word to the patients at Park Nursing Center in Taylor.

Because of her tireless volunteer efforts with patients at

the center, Blashill will receive the Volunteer of the Year Award from the Health Care Association of Michigan (HCAM), which represents 308 nursing homes and other long-term care providers. Blashill will receive the award at HCAM's annual convention

September 22 a Grand Traverse Resort in Acme, near Traverse City.

"I feel very fortunate being able to help others," Blashill said. "As long as I have the will, I'll keep going to nursing homes to volunteer because someone always needs their day brightened."

Blashill visits with residents, plays bingo and organizes events. Joyce O'Grady, activities director for Park Nursing Center, said Blashill is an exceptional volunteer who is always willing to help.



This trio of dancers moved to the rhythm of 'Rip It Up' at the dance competition. MCN Special Photo

#### Family farms on 'endangered list'

By IVAN HELFMAN MCN Staff Writer

One of a dwindling number of family farms is the one owned by Mary Hauk's family in Canton, and it may be on the endangered list.

"People who buy corn from the farmer get the freshest product and are also getting a little piece of local history," said Mary Hauk, the family farmer who owns the small produce stand on the corner of

Ford and Beck roads.

"For years Canton was known as the 'Corn Capital of Michigan' but the reputation is fading," she said. "Now we're one of the last farmers left. The others are all moving south to Lenawee County, near the Michigan-Ohio border."

Hauk is one of four farmers remaining in Canton, the others being Vic Ferrari, Rose Constantino, and Kermit Cole-

Before leaving her produce stand, many of the customers sign a petition at the checkout supporting Hauk's efforts to build temporary greenhouses on the site to preserve farming in Canton.

April 22, the township board rejected-Hauk's request to put up four quonset greenhouses to grow fruits and vegetables, a rejection that Hauk finds consistent with a series of board actions and policies to drive

out farming from the township.
"One week board members
tell me they want to save agriculture, the next week they
take agricultural property out
of the master plan," she said.

The plastic-covered temporary structures would be 30 feet wide, 100 feet long, and 13 feet high and sit on wet ground that Hauk says would otherwise be

The board reasoned that by growing melons and tomatoe\*

on site, Hauk would be exceeding the "scope and intent" of her special land use zoning; and that the intent of the ordinance was to allow farmers to sell their produce at roadside stand, not to run a "commercial" business.

Both the board and planning commission have vowed not to allow commercial zoning west of Beck.

"I tried to educate the board about what agriculture is and what it encompasses," said Hauk, baffled by the board's insistence that growing plants is commercial, not agricultural. "Horticulture, like aquaculture, is agriculture, which has many forms. With regards to zoning, horticulture is entitled to the same protection as agriculture."

She's also tried to convince board members that its important to preserve prime farmland.

"The amount of tillable soil left on earth is less than one percent," she said. "If we don't preserve it in the United States, which is now a major grower and exporter of fresh vegetables, how much do you think it will cost to buy food in Canton?"

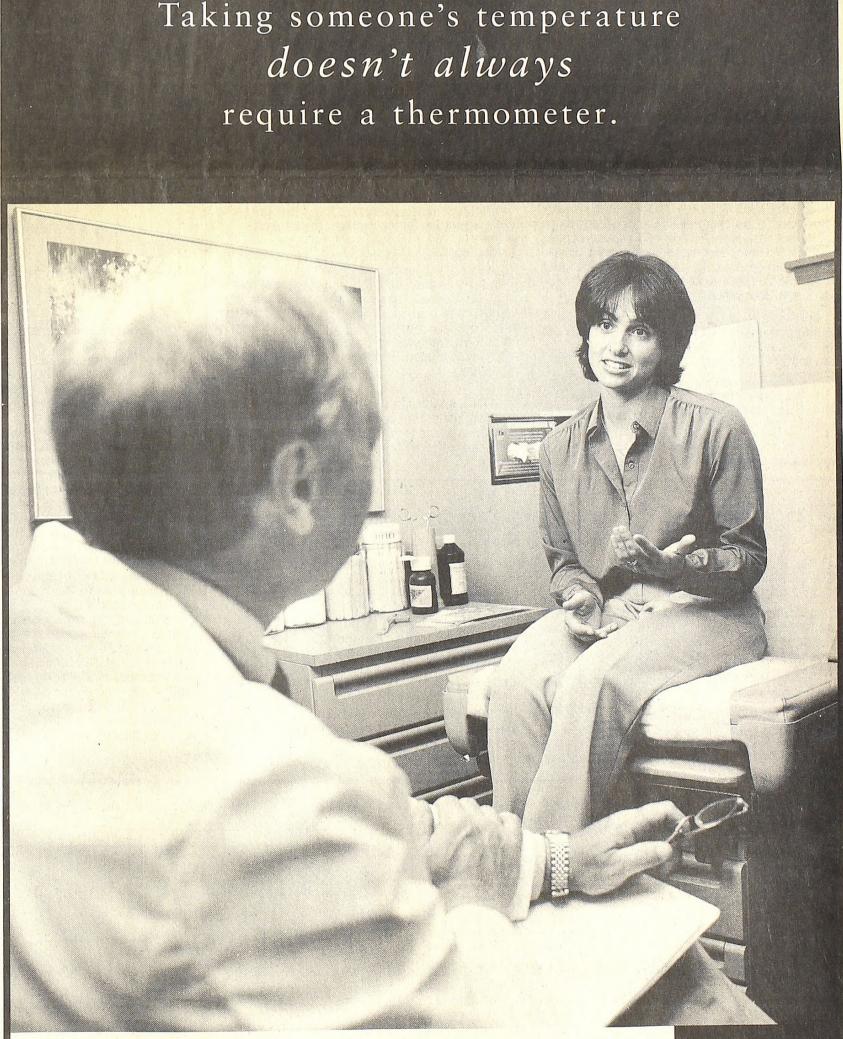
She finds it ironic that anybody would want to cut off the hand that feeds thems.

So far 1,100 people have signed the petition.

"I plan to submit the petitions to the township and let them know what the majority of people think about their refusal to let me put up greenhouses," she said.

Mary would like to receive all comments, for or against her greenhouses, for presentation to the board. Write her at Mary's Farm Market, 801 S. Ridge Road, Canton 48188.

"I'm a third generation Canton farmer," she said. "I hope my children will be allowed to be the fourth generation."



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WELL, IT WON'T BE LONG NOW ....

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#### safe to eat? Is anything

It's a wonder that there are any overweight people in the United States. In fact, it's a wonder that there are any people eating — much less overeating — in the nation.

There seems to be a new food scare daily on the 11 p.m. news and weekly on the hour-long news magazines. If one believed everything they saw and heard on television, there would be wide-spread fasting instead of fast food feasting.

Warnings about the danger of Alar in apple products almost destroyed the industry in 1989 despite the fact that they were based on inaccurate information. In a similar incident in 1959, scare tactics almost destroyed cranberry growers when consumers were scared by the supposed contamination of cran-

Coffee was named as a threat to health in the 1980s and everything from crispy bacon and saccharin has been erroneously blamed for causing seri-

Apparently, huge doses of the substances under study were fed to "fragile" laboratory rats, who promptly became affected or infected, which ever the case may be. Instead of warning the public not to feed massive does of certain substances to rodents, we were warned to avoid the foods or beverages that contained the substance (in small quanti-

The reason that Americans are still plump and somewhat jolly is that we quit believing the warnings, and continued to eat whatever we wanted despite the fact that some of our selections may not have been in our own best interests.

The fast food industry has been constantly bombarded with accusations of destroying the health of Americans. After the dire warnings about cholesterol and fat in fast foods, McDonald's restaurants developed some healthy alternatives, which were immediately rejected by the public in favor of more cheese and bacon on their burgers.

The moral of the story is "don't cry wolf." Too many false alarms and baseless scares on the 11

As students head back to classes this fall, it's pos-

sible many aren't thinking about tax time in April.

What students may not realize is that attending

classes at a school where tuition hikes are kept at or

below the rate of inflation may make students or

their parents eligible for a tuition tax credit of up to

With the cost of college tuition rising steadily

over recent years, many students are struggling to

keep pace with the high cost of a college degree.

That is why I sponsored legislation, now law, that es-

tablishes an incentive for colleges and universities

to cap tuition increases at or below the rate of infla-

ceiling, students or their parents could be eligible to

receive up to 7.5 percent of their college tuition as a

costs, but they are rewarded with a tax credit. This

almost didn't happen under a plan put forth by law-

makers in the House of Representatives.

Not only are students saving with lower tuition

Under a bill passed by the House, the tuition cap

would have been eliminated in favor of a higher tax

At schools adhering to this self-imposed tuition

tion, which currently is 3 percent.

tax credit, not exceeding \$375.

Tax relief ready for state students

p.m. news have caused us to view current warnings with skepticism.

Unfortunately, there may be a real "wolf" some day, and no one will stop eating long enough to lis-



The operator of three theaters in the Metro Detroit area has been ordered by the Michigan Civil Rights Commission to discontinue its policy of not allowing parents to bring their children, 6 and younger, to see films after certain hours. The operator also was ordered to pay \$250 to each of four individuals who filed a complaint and \$200 in damages for mental anguish to another individual.

Gee, what a monumental decision!

We see that the rights of parents to bring their young children to movies now supersedes the rights of adult movie-goers who want to view a film without the accompanying cries of bored and tired babies and minus kicks to the back of their seats.

In the "old days" parents hired babysitters to watch their infants when the went out for the evening, but I guess that's not politically correct any more. Apparently, it is acceptable to bring young children — too immature to sit still for two hours in a darkened theater — but unacceptable to be concerned about the feelings of the majority of theater-

Unfortunately, the ones who will suffer from this decision are not the adult patrons of the theaters who may choose to stay home instead of paying \$6 to \$8 for a ticket to a noisy theater — but the owners, managers and staff who will suffer when attendance

I, for one, would rather watch a video tape in the quiet of my home than to sit in a movie theater with screaming children. How about you?

#### Missing girl found

NINTER

To the editor:

Thank you for assisting the National Center in the search for missing children. The distribution of missing children's photographs is an important step towards the recovery of these children. One in seven children is recovered as a result of someone recognizing the child's photo and alerting authori-

Due to everyone's effort and support, the Center is pleased to inform you that Lori Gurule has been located. As soon as it is possible for you to do so, please remove her photograph from circulation.

D'Ann Taflin Office of Public Affairs

#### Social Security is right

The consideration of privatizing Social Security has become everyday discussion. Many of us have insisted for 50 years that an individual could do much better in providing income for the senior years by investing on his own.

One particular aspect of Social Security contributions and subsequent retirement payments that many find troubling today is the monthly dispensation to the elderly who have accumulated greater assets than their neighbors. For 45 years I taught that the very good feature about Social Security was that those who were contributors to the program became recipients in their senior years as a matter of right.

Social Security, unlike the income tax, was not supposed to be redistributive. It was not originally intended that the Social Security accumulation was to be withheld if the contributor after 40 years of payroll deductions accumulated more assets than the average liberal though he should.

Neil Goodbred

#### **LETTERS**

#### Businesses need support

To the editor:

As you drive down Joy Road in Canton, you don't notice all the businesses by the airport. Mainly because they are so small. Owner's of these small businesses have tried to attract attention in many ways. But, each time they attempt to, a particular sign ordinance officer continually tells them they can't. Instead of providing information on how they can within the limits of the law, or providing information on how they can change it, he tells them 'no, you can't do that!'

Open flags have flown, only for half the day, because they were told "no!" Banners were on a van parked near the road, again they vere told "no!" Now this particular sign ordinance officer has somehow become a parking regulator, went over the head of the manager of the airport, and made sure we lost our parking privileges at the airport. This again puts a damper on the small businesses, because now not only is there not enough room for them to park, but, there is no room for their customers as well. When one of the business owners called and attempted to talk to this sign ordinance officer about the parking problems, he told the owner 'Well, maybe you should look for a new location or grease the palm" of another nearby business owner "to get some parking spots!

Is this the way the city of Canton does business! Or, is this just the way the sign ordinance officers shows his appreciation for all the tax dollars these businesses spend. Or, does he have a personal vendetta against these businesses. Whatever the answer is it is wrong. The businesses are only trying to attract attention to their area, but, whatever they try to do

seems to be wrong. They are struggling to be better, but, when they are continually stepped on how are they to survive.

If the city of Canton doesn't want small businesses in their community they should let them know. If they do, want them, then they should try to encourage them and help them to survive and become a staple in the community, not step on them every time they turn around. Communities survive on small businesses as well as the big ones. Big fish were once little fish, and a community needs them all to strive to be bigger and

Julie Cupchack

#### Diana deserves honor

To the editor:

The world has lost some of its sparkle. The warm smile, the bright eyes, and the loving hands of Diana, Princess of Wales, will never be seen and felt again. But, her good work will live on and on. It is up to us all to carry on the wonderful charitable work the late princess was doing.

I have received several letters from Diana in reference to my charitable work. I shall cherish these letters forever. Please join with me to encourage the Norwegian Nobel Committee to award posthumously the Nobel Peace Prize to the late Diana, Princess of Wales.

Please, write to me with your request, and I will forward the letters to the Nobel Committee in Norway.

Your letters maybe mailed to me: Mr. Henry Pearson, III, 251 Suite 5. West Newton Street, Boston, Massachusetts, 02116-6447.

The financial award from the Nobel Peace Prize will be contributed to the charities that were supported by Diana, Princess of

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#### Guest Editorial

By LOREN BENNETT

8th District SenatorState of Michigan

credit, encouraging colleges and universities to once again raise tuition to extraordinary levels.

Just four years ago, the average tuition increase at Michigan's 15 universities was close to 10 percent three times the rate of inflation. Now, with this tuition cap in place, eight universities this year have kept tuition increases below the rate of inflation. They include: Wayne State, Michigan, Michigan-Dearborn, Saginaw Valley State, Michigan State, Central Michigan, Michigan Tech and Northern Michigan.

That's an admirable accomplishment and one that hopefully more and more schools will strive for Real, long-term savings for students and parents will only come with schools keeping tuition costs

#### Election campaigns gear up

With the primary elections behind us, attention is focusing on the November general elec-

As the campaigns begin, we are being told by various candidates and their workers that the 1997 general election will be a "clean one," minus name-calling and mud-slinging.

"After all," said one political insider, "we have more on their candidate than they have on ours, so they'd be wise not to start any-

We hope that is true, but we wonder what will happen as Nov. 11 draws closer and candidates begin to tally up their anticipated support. As the race enters its 11th hour, we fear that some of the stops will be pulled out in the scramble for victory.

Still, it would be a great benefit to the communities and their residents if, as we are being told, the political battles would be clean and fair. After all, when all of the inflammatory rhetoric is forgotten, the place where it occurred will be remembered.

The residents of Western Wayne County do not deserve to suffer from the fall-out of political mud-slinging, name-calling and character assassination.



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**FOOTNOTES:** What kind of winter do you expect?



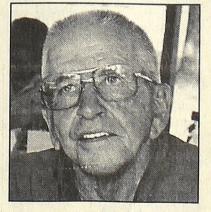
**Glenn Dent** Park naturalist

I think we'll have a cold winter, and I hope there's lots of snow to attract people to the Metroparks



Keith Bruder Willis

Lots of snow! A delight for the snow removal business (me).



**Marty Elliott** Romulus

Mild, but with a lot of snow. The weather goes in cycles and 20 years ago we had a mild winter with a 65 degree day in December.



**Toby Leis** Belleville There will be severe cold with lots of snow.



#### **Helping hands**

Serving beverages to guests at the chicken dinner featured at St. Aloysius Catholic Church during the festival were Christine Saval (left), Johanna Sovinski, Angie Sovinski and Amanda McCowan.

MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

#### Letters

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Wales. This is the least we could do for someone who has helped so many. A kind word, a friendly smile, and a caring heart can mean so much to a person. I hope you will join me with carrying on the good work that was a part of the life of Diana, Princess of Wales.

Mr. Henry Pearson, III, Award winning human-

Editor's note: Henry Pearson is a former Inkster resident who has received many honors for his beautification projects in Boston.

### Wild horses adoptable

To the editor:

We are bringing, healthy and trainable wild horses, rounded up from fragile western rangelands, to Mason, Michigan. Since the Adopt-A-Wild Horse & Burro Program began in 1973, over 165,000 animals have been adopted.

The adoption event will be held at the Ingham County Fairgrounds on Oct. 25-26. We will have approximately 125 horses for an adoption fee of \$125 per animal. The fees help defray the costs of roundup, inoculations, veterinary care and transportation.

The horses will arrive on Friday, Oct. 24, with viewing hours from 1 p.m.-5 p.m. The scheduled hours for the horse adoption event will be from 7 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturday, and if any remain, on Sunday from 8 a.m. until 12 Noon.

We need your help in find-

ing good homes for the wild horses and burros from the West.

tion on September 9. Your vote

is very important and I wanted

to publicly thank all that

turned out on such a bad

Your vote has made a differ-

ence in the past and it is a

right that should be exercised.

The turn out in this election

was minimal. There are 12,464

registered voters in the City of

Wayne, a total of 1,515 cast

You have another chance on

Nov. 4 to show that you care.

Your vote does make a differ-

ence, as past elections have

Pam Dobrowolski, Councilwo-

their vote on Sept. 9.

proven.

Wayne

man

weather day.

Jim Boylan Public Affairs officer

#### Common sense road advice

To the editor:

Just a gentle reminder to the Road People. We are infinitely glad that you are putting in sewers and will fix the roads, perhaps even fill in the corner ditches one day, and widening is desperately needed. And we will bear with you when it is necessary, keeping out when you are working.

But, when on a stretch of road there is nothing going on, and the barriers are still in place, which requires us to drive miles out of our way each day, can you not move the gates to one side so we do not worry that it is a Federal offense to nudge one aside to let us through to home?

When you move here and there, not finishing anywhere, it is inconsiderate to keep roads off limits when no one is working there.

We hope that Belleville Road will soon be put through, relieving the tremendous traffic on the corner of Geddes and Canton Center Road. Left turners have to wait 'til the light changes because of the cars passing on the right side on a single road, illegal.

Glen Voorheis Canton

#### Vote is important

To the editor:

I want to say thank you to the Citizens of Wayne that supported me in the Primary Elec-



#### **Youth fitness**

Athletes from the Wayne Department of Recreation Summer Program participated in the Detroit Metropolitan Area Youth Fitness Meet at Lower Huron Metropark. Four Wayne athletes were plaque winners: Antoine Austin (left), third, standing long jump; James McLeod, second, softball throw; Justin Cooper, third, running broad jump, and William Robinson, third in the softball throw. MCN Special Photo

#### Employment law runs amok

By DR. RICHARD L. LESHER
U.S. Chamber of Commerce President

President, U.S. Chamber of Commerce Last year American workers brought more than 23,000 lawsuits against their employers, alleging discrimination based upon race, sex, disability or age, more than double the 10,771 such suits filed in 1992. Over the past four years, job discrimination suits have been rising 20 percent a year with no end in sight.

The impact of this unprecedented surge of litigation on our economy would be difficult to overstate. Vast amounts of money and time are being diverted from productive uses to handle the seemingly endless legal maneuvers that attend each lawsuit, and the exorbitant judgments that frequently ensue. Even worse, a growing number of employers are moving production offshore or simply declining to engage in potentially profitable ventures because of the liability that attends the once simple act of hiring employees.

A major factor in the increase of lawsuits is the 1990 Americans with Disabilities Act which originally was intended to assure equal employment opportunities and access to public buildings for people with disabilities. Though no one could quarrel with the avowed intent of that legislation, its actual application has taken turns that no one could have foreseen.

For example, last January a former truck driver of Ryder Systems, Inc., won a \$5.5 million jury verdict after claiming, under the ADA, that Ryder unfairly removed him from his position after he suffered an epileptic seizure. The company contended that a driver subject to such seizures presented a hazard not only to himself but to the public.

The company had a point. During that time that the driver was not working for Ryder, while his case was being tried, he accepted a position as a driver with another firm, had a seizure while driving and crashed his truck into a tree. Even so, Ryder lost the case.

As presently interpreted, the ADA is putting employers between a rock and a hard place. On the one hand, that are responsible for assuring their employees can function safely and do not present undue risk to the Guest Editorial

public. On the other hand, an employer who does not hire an applicant because of a physical or mental infirmity, or who restricts the activities of such an employee, runs the risk of lawsuits and potentially high judgments.

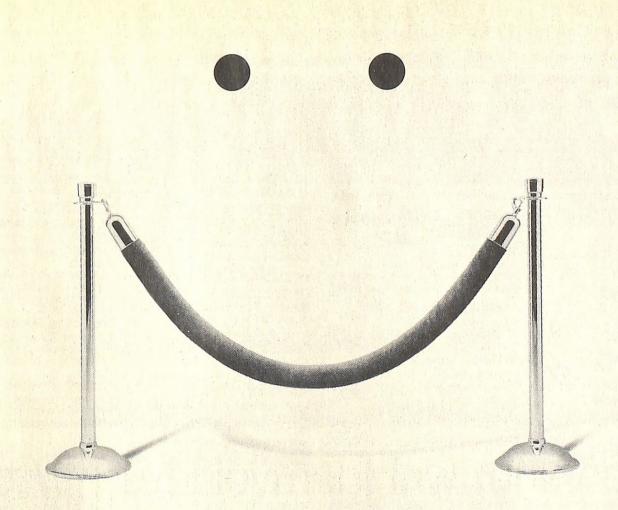
For example, the United Parcel Service was hit with a class action suit under ADA in March by the federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission seeking to force the company to hire truck drivers with vision in only one eye. UPS contends the employment of people with such handicaps in that job exposes both them and the public to undue risk, but the EEOC was unmoved.

As presently construed, the ADA treats simple character flaws-such as belligerence, chronic lateness, hostility, aggressiveness, substance abuse, and refusal to accept instruction and criticism-as medical conditions protected by the law. Indeed, it is difficult to define any type of aberrant behavior that cannot find protection under the ADA's expansive umbrella.

Of course, the ADA is not the only source of employee suits against employer. The Civil Rights Act of 1991 increased the monetary damages workers can obtain if they can prove discrimination, creating a fresh financial incentive to sue.

What's missing from all of this is recognition that employers have responsibilities other than that of assuring everyone equality in the workplace. They also must protect the public, assure their employees a safe working environment and – in their spare time – produce the products and services that are their reason for being. Also missing is awareness that many people are blind to their own faults and deficiencies and automatically greet any adverse employment action-be it a reprimand, firing or simple reluctance to hire-as evidence of discrimination.

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#### Plagens bid farewell to long-time customers

By JENNY JOHNSON MCN Special Writer

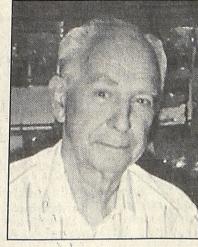
Complete with cake and well wishes, there was a surprise goodbye party for the owners of Plagens Market on Sept. 11.

After 41 years at the corner of Wayne Road and Annapolis, Robert Plagens and his son, Mike, closed the doors of their store for the last time on Sept.

What will he do with all of his free time?

"I plan to take it easy and visit my brother in Florida,' Robert said.

The surprise party included



friends, neighbors and business associates who will miss

I plan to take it easy and visit my brother in Florida.

- Robert Plagens

the service and the meat at

Known for the quality of their meat, they supplied some of the pubs in town with their hamburger.

'They have been a good

member of the business community for awhile," said Wayne Chamber of Commerce President Donna McEachern.

Robert Plagen said he sold some of his equipment to Norman's Market on Wayne Road in Westland.

June, a cashier at Plagens said she will miss the store. She just lives down the street from the store and enjoyed working there for 10 years.

She said another cashier, Joyce, has been there a few years longer than her.

Many people in the area will miss the friendliness and convenience they always found at Plagens.

## brary offers fall programs for all

come in their Halloween costumes and listen to spooky songs, and

By JENNY JOHNSON MCN Special Writer

The Westland library is striving to keep children and adults reading during the fall and winter.

The William P. Faust Library in Westland is beginning its second fall schedule with several events.

On their calendar is the Sleepy Time Story Time for younger children, pre-school to 7 years old. This is a half hour program that meets at 7 p.m. every Monday. Group leaders read books, sing. use puppets and flannel boards.

Toddler Tales and Just For Me both meet at 10 and 11:30 a.m. every Wednesday. Toddler Time is for children 18-36 months and their parents. Just For Me is for 3- to-5-year-olds. Both are story telling programs including songs, stories and rhymes.

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sions. The first runs through Sept. 21, and the second ses-

and goes to Nov. 16. At 2 p.m. every first Saturday of the month, the library hosts Creation Station. Children of all ages get to participate in a craft project led by library staff. Creation Station dates are Oct. 4 and Nov. 1.

sion starts the week of Oct. 12

Beginning Bookies meets the last Saturday of every month. This program is for kindergarten through third graders. Longer books are read and discusses and children make crafts and do some

dramatic play.

frighteningly silly tales at 10:30 a.m. Oct. 29.

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All programs are free but registration is required.

The library is already planning for Halloween projects and for their one year anniversary celebration in November.

Slightly Spooky Story Time is for little goblins, ages 3-6 years. They can come in their Halloween costumes and listen to spooky songs, and frighteningly silly tales at 10:30 a.m. Oct. 29.

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Elementary school children dressed in their most creative costumes can participate in Spookfest '97 at 4 p.m. Oct. 31.

The Youth Excel Net is new this year. It is a young adult advisory board for teens aged 12-19. They help determine programs and design a teen web page at the library. The first meeting will be at 4 p.m. on Oct. 27.

An adult book discussion group will start at 7 p.m. on Oct. 1 with A Night of Mystery. Four mystery authors will conduct a panel discussion.



#### Field trip

Detroit Edison employee Christine Pawyl (left) shows Girl Scouts Qiana Black (center) of Troop 1693 and Kristen Guinnane of Westland of Troop 58 how to repair an electrical cord during an energy awareness workshop. MCN Special Photo

#### Grants to aid workers

Workers laid-off from hardship on workers in two Spring Arbor Distributors in Belleville will benefit from a \$15,000 dislocated workers grant awarded to the Washtenaw County Job Training and Placement Agency.

State Senator Loren Bennett (R-Canton) said the funds will be used for a wide variety of services and training options, including job or career counseling, assessment and evaluation, job placement assistance and job development.

"The services and assistance made available by this grant will help to minimize the disruption to the lives of workers and their families who have been affected by the Spring Arbor Distributors layoff," said Bennett. "Assistance of this nature reduces the ways - it aids individuals in marketing themselves, allowing them to return to work more quickly, and it increases employment opportunities by making Michigan's work force more competitive and thus, more attractive to business.'

Funding for the Economic

Dislocation and Worker Ad-

justment Assistance Act is made available by the federal Job Training partnership Act administered through the Michigan Jobs Commission. Dislocated worker grants

are awarded to workers who have been terminated or laid off or who have received notice of termination and are unlikely to return to their previous job.

#### **Post office lists** holiday deadlines

Although its more than three months until Christmas, the deadlines for mailing packages to foreign countries is fast approaching.

The U.S. Postal Service suggests the following mailing dates:

Africa: surface mail, Oct. 20; air parcels, air cards and letters, Dec. 1.

Australia, New Zealand: surface mail, Nov. 3; air parcels, Dec. 1; air cards and letters,

Canada: surface, Nov. 24; air parcels, air cards and letters, Dec. 12 Caribbean: surface mail,

Nov. 10; air parcels, air cards

and letters, Dec. 8. Central and South America: surface mail, Nov. 3, air parcels, air cards and letters, Dec.

Europe: surface, Nov. 10; air 4. parcels, air cards and letters,

Middle East: surface mail, Oct. 27; air parcels, air cards and letters, Dec. 8.

#### Spanish instructor needed

The Plymouth-Canton Community Education Department announced that they are in need of a Spanish instructor for an adult class which will begin soon.

The Spanish instructor is needed for a nine-week course beginning Sept. 24 at Canton High School. Classes will be held Wednesdays, from 7-8:30

For more information please contact Gayle Harshman at 416-2937.

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Mike Wetzel, Tommie Gill and Leisha Rollins take part in the celebration of a "job well done" at the Inkster Post Office. MCN Special Photo

#### Postal workers recognized for outstanding service

When National Postal Employees Recognition Day was observed on Aug. 29, it marked a day of appreciation throughout the district and the nation for the good work accomplished by postal employees during the 16-day UPS strike.

During the strike, postal workers collected, sorted, distributed and delivered nine billion pieces of mail. Postmaster Marvin Runyon said that in five decades in business and government, he has never seen the level of dedication and commitment that postal employees delivered during the UPS strike.

Detroit District Manager Carl T. January Jr. said, "Detroit employees adjusted to 300 percent more Express Mail and 100 percent more Priority and Parcel Post without missing a beat. The media, major mailers and average Americans are seeing the Postal Service in a new light. They have a deeper understanding after the UPS strike and they know that they can count on us to deliver all their mail."

Inkster Postmaster Joe Bodary commented on the amazing attitudes of the postal workers during the UPS strike.

"There were no complaints. It was business as usual even through we were handling almost triple our volumes. We are already ready and willing to do whatever it takes to make sure our customers receive their mail. Our employees are to be commended for their dedication and their positive attitudes. We couldn't have

#### Madonna University thanks community

Madonna University in Livonia is celebrating its 50th anniversary by inviting friends, alumni and the public to its homecoming, Golden Days Gala, on Saturday, Sept. 27. The event is open to everyone free of charge.

The festivities will kick off at 10 a.m. with a classic car show which will also feature racing cars from Roush Racing of Livonia. Some of the cars included in the show will be a 1936 Packard, 1932 Plymouth, and 1966 Mustang. The display will be held in the parking lot facing Schoolcraft and Levan roads and will take place until

At 1 p.m., the doors to the Activity Center on Madonna's campus will open and offer a wide variety of family enter-

tainment. The party will include dances and a fashion show of the decades; and appearance by Elvis; a children's entertainment corner with clowns, a magician and theater group; 50 decorated cakes and a cake walk; prize give-aways; and a (environmentally friendly) balloon launch. Complimentary food will also be provided, and the events will conclude at 4 p.m.

Following, there will be a liturgy service at 4:15 p.m. in Kresge Hall for those who wish to attend. Madonna University is located at the corner of Schoolcraft and Levan roads in Livonia. No reservations are required. For more information, call the Office of Marketing and Public Relations (313) 432-5741.

#### Meetings go 'on the road'

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

The next Romulus School Board meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 22 at the senior high school, as the school trustees begin a program of taking their meetings to different school buildings each month.

The school trustees will meet at a different school building the fourth Monday of

each month of the school year. Since no progress apparently was made at the last negotiating session between the teachers and school administrators, it is quite possible that the teacher pickets may also

be active prior to the meeting.

Romulus Teacher Union President Jim Orme revealed Monday night "we feel we have wasted our time trying to negotiate with the administration the past two years."

While he is not optimistic that a solution to the four year void in a signed labor contract will be concluded soon, Orme admitted that he and other union leaders would sit down again with Human Resources Director Sam LaMonica and others at 10 a.m. Sept. 24.

An agenda for the upcoming meeting will be released tomorrow by the school administration office.

#### Hotline open for traffic updates

free hotline, 1-800-411-4823, where Michigan motorists can easily access the latest information on construction projects along heavily traveled traffic arteries. The service was launched in cooperation with the Michigan Department of Transportation.

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AAA established a new toll- they may encounter along major routes across the Great Lakes State," said Jeff Gaydos, AAA Michigan Corporate Communications manager.

> The report will be updated several times weekly. It will direct callers via a simple menu system to obtain construction information on I-75, I-94, I-96, US-31/US-131 and Detroit area freeways.

#### New general manager is Sorgeloos

Steel Technologies Inc. today announced that Kevin Sorgeloos has joined the management team of Steel Technologies Inc. as general

manager of the Canton manufacturing facility. Sorgeloos comes to Steel Technologies Inc. with 24 years of experi-

#### Distinguished graduates sought

By LORI GILLESPIE MCN Staff Writer

Graduates of Belleville High School, who have brought distinction to the community, may soon be recognized in a Distinguished Graduate Program.

Van Buren Public Schools Superintendent James Richendollar requested a gathering of a group of community members to work with school personnel to examine the feasibility of the Distinguished Graduate Program, and to direct it as a steering committee.

Committee members include: Shirley Carnahan, BHS alumni reunion committee; Deb Havens, VBPS communications specialist; Don

Juchartz, Rotary Club of Belleville; Janet Millard, Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce; Ralph Nodwell, VBPS Board of Education; Bruce Romant, Belleville High School principal; Diane Wilson, Belleville Area Mu-

The group examined the Distinguished Graduate Program in the Wyandotte Public School System, and believes it could be implemented in the Van Buren Public School Dis-

The committee turned their findings over to the Board of Education at the Sept. 8 meeting. They requested \$1800 to cover the costs of soliciting nominations, an informational brochure, certificates,

plaques, and photographs of the Distinguished Graduates for permanent display in Belleville High School. Superintendent Richendollar requested that the board use the money set aside for him to attend a national conference, as he hasn't attended in recent vears.

Recipients of the award will be honored at the National Honor Society Induction, held in May. The Steering Committee believes this will provide a connection between the community, the students who presently attend BHS, and the alumni who provide an inspiring role model for success.

Nominees for the Hall of Fame must meet the following criteria; graduated from BHS

prior to 1987; distinguished themselves in either or both of the following two categories: Contributed to their chosen profession through outstanding individual performance or leadership, or recognized success in a particular field of work. Contributed or volunteered leadership, time, effort and/or resources to benefit the greater Belleville area or other communities.

Nominations are currently being accepted, and the deadline is Dec. 18, 1997. Please forward the names and addresses of nominees to: Nomination -Distinguished Gruaduate Program, Superintendent, Van Buren Public Schools, 555 W. Columbia, Belleville, Mich.



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Lithgow in "3rd Rock"
Actor/Drama: Dennis
Franz in "NYPD"

Actor/Miniseries: Armand
Assante in "Gotti"

Actress/Comedy: Helen Hunt in "Mad About You" Actress/Drama:Gillian Anderson, "X Files"

Actress/Miniseries: Alfre Woodard in "Miss Evers' Boys"

Supporting Actor/ Comedy: Michael Richards in "Seinfeld"

Supporting Actor/Drama:
Hector Elizondo in "Chicago Hope"

Supporting Actor/
Miniseries: Beau Bridges in
"Second Civil War"
Supporting Actress/
Comedy: Kirsten Johnston

in "3rd Rock"

Supporting Actress/
Drama: Kim Delaney in

"NYPD"
Supporting Actress/
Miniseries: Diana Riggs in

"Rebecca"
Guest Actor/Comedy: Mel
Brooks in "Mad About You"
Guest Actor/Drama: Pruitt
Taylor Vince in "Murder

Guest Actress/Comedy: Carol Burnette in "Mad About You"

Guest Actress/Drama: Diane Wiest in "Avonlea"

President's Award: Miss Evers' Boys

Have you ever wondered how the Emmys would be awarded if teens could choose their favorites?

Below are listed the Emmy picks of Nathan Olds, 15, a pre-vocational education student who is working at MCN this semester:

Nathan Olds would have picked 3rd Rock from the Sun as the best comedy series and the X Files as the top drama. His pick for the best mini-series would have been Stephen King's The Shining.

Nathan's pick as best actress in a comedy series would have been Patricia Richardson in "Home Improvement" and he agreed with the Emmy's pick of Gillian Anderson of the "X Files" as the best actress in a drama.

He liked Glenn Close in "In the Gloaming," Michael Richards in "Seinfeld," Nicholas Turturro in NYPD Blue and Obba Babatunde in "Miss Evers' Boys." He also picked Kristen Johnston as best supporting actress/comedy, Kim Delaney as best supporting actress/drama and Bridget Fonda as best supporting actress/miniseries in "In the Gloaming.



Nathan Olds

# Fall colors abound in Metroparks

Few of nature's annual events delight our senses and inspire our interest like the fall color extravaganza put on by the deciduous trees and shrubs.

The 13 Metroparks, containing extensive tracts of woodlands and fallow fields punctuated by lakes and rivers, offer some of the best displays of nature's colorful handiwork to be found in southeast Michigan. And, the annual sight show is close. The Metroparks stretch in an arc from Metro Beach on Lake St. Clair, along the Clinton and Huron rivers to Lake Erie Metropark in Brownstown on Lake Erie, putting them within easy reach of the residents of Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Washtenaw and Livingston counties.

You can enjoy the color spectacular at your Metroparks by car, bike, hike or boat.

• Paved bike/hike trails, ranging in length from 3-8 miles, are located at Metro Beach, Stony Creek, Indian Springs, Kensington, Hudson Mills, Lower Huron, Willow and Oakwoods. Bike rentals are available at most of these parks.

• Nature Trails can be found at Metro Beach, Wolcott Mill, Stony Creek, Indian Springs, Kensington, Hudson Mills, Lower Huron, Oakwoods and Lake Erie.

• Boats and/or canoes are available for rent, mainly on weekends, at Huron Meadows, and Hudson Mills, Dexter-Huron, Delhi (private rental from Skip's Canoe Livery available at least three parks), Kensington (through Sept. 21) and Willow (through Oct. 26).

The peak of the fall color season in southeast Michigan is generally the second or third week of October, although weather conditions can change the peak color dates considerably.

#### Harvest Huzzah arrives

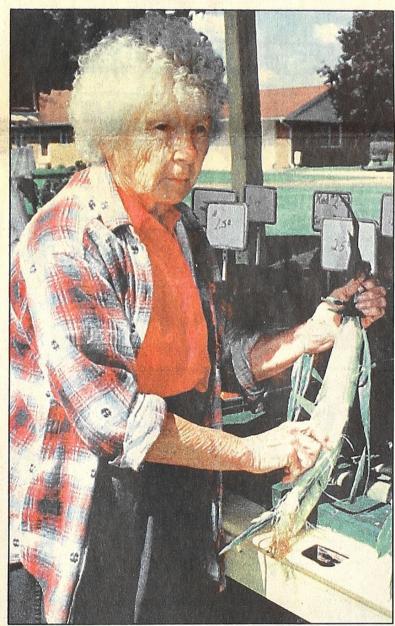
The 18th annual Michigan Renaissance Festival will host a weekend of grape stomping, wine tasting, parades and other events to celebrate the harvest bounty.

Their majesties, King Morgan and Queen Eleanor invite one and all to partake of the bounty of the harvest on Sept. 20 and 21 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Among the events at the festival, which is located off I-75, one mile north of Mount Holly, will be mask making, Renaissance games and customs and a charity challenger.

Tickets are \$12.95 for adults and \$5.95 for children, 5 to 12. Children, 4 and younger, are admitted at no cost.







#### **Harvest bounty**

Roadside vegetable stands offer just-picked produce along Sumpter Road, Huron River Road and the I-94 Service Drive. Lottie Modzelewski and Mary Johnson (top photo) check the potatoes and watermelon at Felix and Lottie's stand in Sumpter Township. Gladys Budd (bottom left) whose family has operated a farm and produce stand for many years on the I-94 Service Drive, knows a good ear of corn when she sees it. A colorful road sign lures customers to the produce stands. MCN photo by Lori Gillespie

#### Artist paints world around her in living colors

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER MCN Managing Editor

Artist Natalie Goldberg was a best-selling author before she became a serious painter.

The author of Writing Down the Bones, Wild Mind and Banana Rose and presenter of nationwide writing workshops reveals another side of her talent. Her latest book, Living Color: A Writer Paints Her World will be available in Bantam Books paperback.

Of her two talents, she writes, "Writing was the eldest son being groomed to success. I put all my efforts into writing. Painting was a younger child left alone by an exhausted parent."

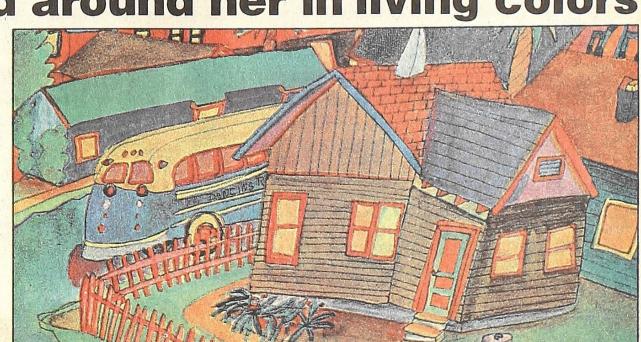
The book contains more than 60 full-color painting

which introduces readers to her family, her artist friends and her New Mexico home. It contains brightly-colored scenes of Taos, gardens in Paris and buildings in Ecu-

She includes many paintings of her father, who commented, "That's not me. I'm good looking."

If you can imagine skies of orange or purple, streets of lime green or blue and buildings of reds, maroons, purples and blues then you can appreciate the art of Natalie Goldberg.

With 60 full-color paintings in the 154-page book, *Living Color* is a feast to the eyes at \$16.95 in area bookstores.



Dancing Rhythms is the title of this Natalie Goldberg work. MCN Special Photo

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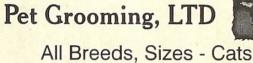
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#### **Personality Profile**

#### 'Y' programs, booster clubs draw father's time

By SHARON POPEK MCN Special Writer

Bo Grzecki is a single father who has stayed very involved with his sons and their lives.

Patrick, 18, who has just moved on campus at Eastern Michigan University and Timothy, 14 who is a sophomore at Wayne Memorial have had the loving support of both parents since the divorce 10 years ago. Their mother, Terri, works at the Wayne Post Office while dad, Bo, is a supervisor of a franchise for Rally's Hamburgers, with three stores under his supervision.

Bo is a board member of the Wayne/Westland Family YMCA which sponsors Indian Guides, a national program. One group of guides is for children ages 5-10 while the next

group is for those age 11 and older. Each child joins with a parent or even two parents. They are put into "tribes" which meet twice a month. There are also hayrides, the pine car derby, camp-outs, a bowling tournament and skating. Crafts are made in a "tribe" member's home once a month.

Introductory programs to the Indian Guides were presented earlier this week in at the YWCA and Maplewood Center in Garden City and tonight (Sept. 18) at 7 p.m. a session will be presented at the Wayne Public Library.

Indian folklore and ceremonial activities are part of the program, and all of Bo's family will be participants.

One group of guides is for children ages 5-10 while the next Memorial Football Boosters

Club. Luckily, football ends in November while wrestling begins in December. Both groups raise funds by selling program advertising, holding raffles and car washes, collecting bottles and selling sport-related caps, car flats, shirts, etc. WMHS Football Boosters were there when the Wayne Zebras faced the Fordson Tractors in the first home game last week.

Graduating from Eastern Michigan University with a business degree, Bo sold insurance and became a cook and dining room manger at Mama's and Pasta's in Wayne which became Wayne Charlie's and where he also worked.

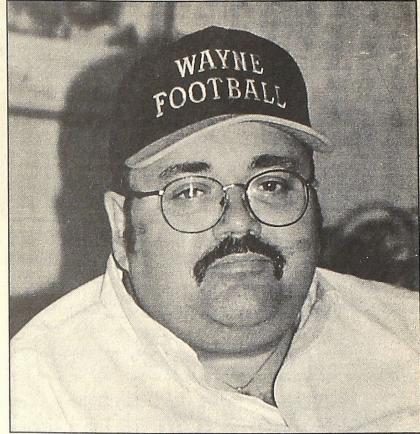
He enjoys cooking and reports that both his boys can also cook. In fact, Tim is a "master grillman, specializing in steaks and pork chops," Bo said.

Both boys went back and forth between their mother's home in Westland and their dad's in Wayne. The family was always able to work out any disagreements in favor of the boys. They chose to live near each other for this reason.

"Ninety-nine percent of the time Terri and I agree where the boys are concerned. I wish that more people had the relationship that Terri and I have in regards to our children," he said.

It not a perfect world and divorce is tough for all concerned, but Bo and Terri prove that a single parent can be involved and an important part of their children's lives no matter who has official custody.

Bo Grzecki can hold his head high on Father's Day.



Bo Grzecki

#### Bus shelters slated to be added to Smart stops

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

Future SMART bus riders hopefully will be able to seek protection from the weather at 60 area bus shelters, SMART Director Richard Kaufman told Western Wayne County

leaders last Friday at a meet-

ing in the Summit on the Park of Canton.

Kaufman has been working

to cut SMART's long term financial deficit and hike its ridership, since becoming the bus company's leader over a year ago.

He told members of the Conference of Western Wayne that ridership is up 20 percent in the three county area and that bus shelters can be erected at no cost to local communities, if governments can adjust their sign ordinances to allow Gate-

The advertising firm is willing to erect the shelters for free.

way Outdoor Advertising to erect the large shelters.

The advertising firm is willing to erect the shelters (\$4,000 to \$5,000 value) for free and to maintain them without cost, Kaufman said. Reportedly they also would remove graffiti

quickly, the group was told.

To offset the cost, the former judge said, Gateway Outdoor Advertising is asking for permission to place advertising on one side of the shelter.

The other walls will be made of clear tempered glass

complete with Brookfield Green lattice work. The shelter will be equpped with a long wood bench with steel handrails. Space will be provided for wheelchair users, Kaufman revealed.

Kaufman said requests would be made for city and township leaders to change sign regulations to allow such advertising to appear.

Westland Mayor Robert

Thomas asked Kaufman "if a local government frowned on such an advertising request, could they (the government erect or pay to erect the shelter themselves?"

Kaufman said he didn't think there would be much of a problem in creating such an option.

SMART would earn up to 15 percent of the advertising rate, Kaufman said.

# Former airport manager dies

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

James M. Davey, former manager of the Detroit Metropolitan Airport of Romulus, died last week of cancer.

Mr. Davey, 76, earlier had been named to receive the coveted William E. Downes Jr. Memorial Award, from the Airports Council International. The award now will be presented posthumously.

Mr. Davey's career included serving as a fighter pilot with the U.S. Marines during World War II and earning a law degree at Wayne State University after the conflict.

He negotiated the Airport Agreement with American Airlines in 1956 and was appointed the airport's director two years later. He jointly held the title of managing director of the Wayne County Road Commission from 1961-71, when he retired.

A major airport terminal has been named after Davey in tribute for his many years of service that lead to massive airport expansion. Under his leadership the airport added domestic and international teriminals, expanded runways, and enlarged public parking facilities.

Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara called Davey "a great leader, a trailblazer, who saw into the future and took the brave steps necessary to make Detroit a primary air transportation gateway."

Current airport director Robert Braun calls Davey "a pioneer, who was my mentor. He worked with other airport executives around the nation before air travel blossomed into the commonplace of transportation it is today."

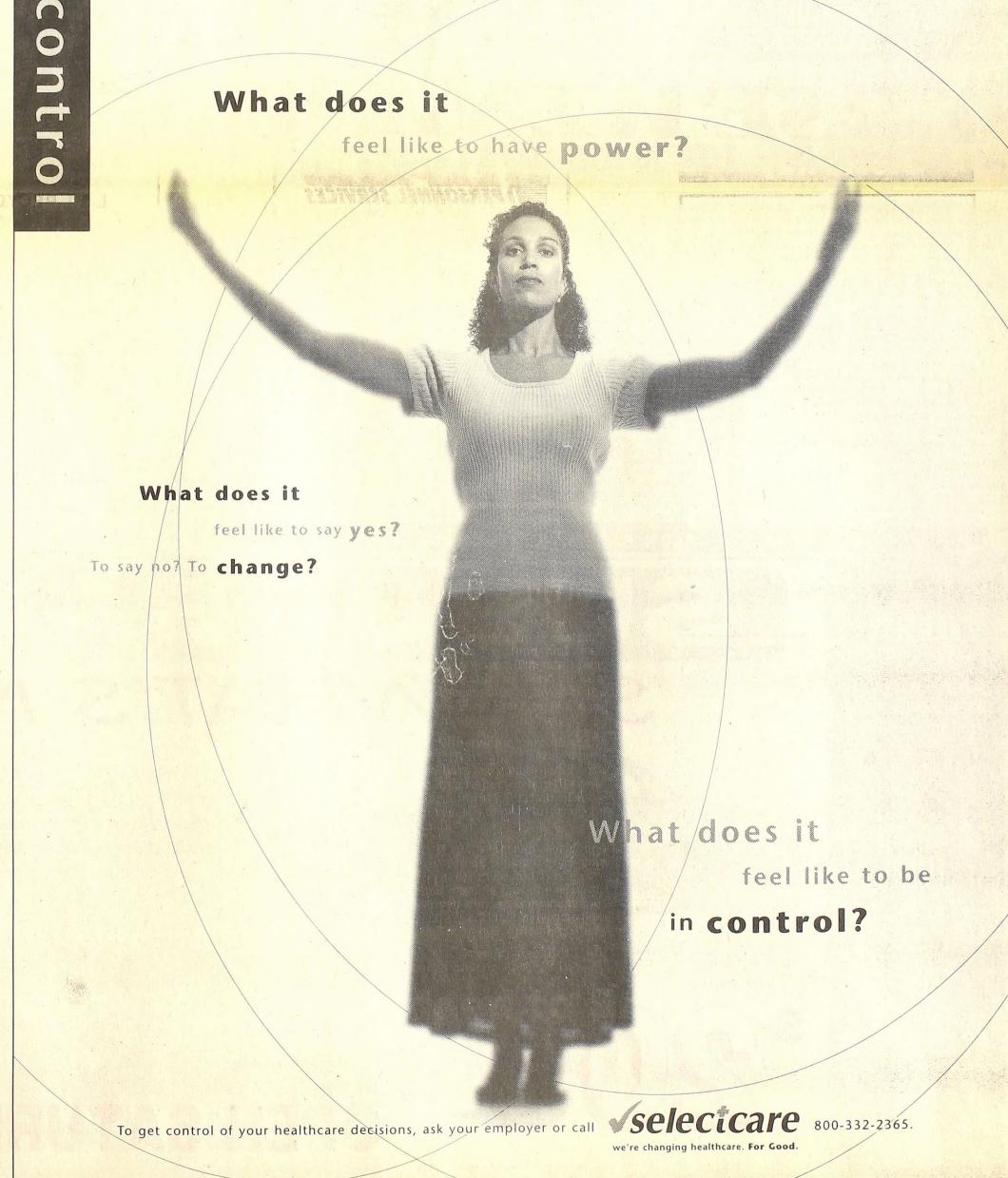
## Revival planned

From Sept. 22 to 26, Amity Baptist Church of Inkster will conduct a revival.

The 1997 Fall Institutional Revival will feature evangelist Harold K. Lester of the Orchard K. D Baptist Church of Chattanooga, Tenn. The afternoon service will be conducted by Dr. R. Lamont Smith of the Chapel Hil Missionary Baptist Church in Detroit.

The Rev. Anthony B. Eaddy is pastor of the church, which is located at 27045 Carlysle Street.

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#### Wayne's Class of 1957 seeks missing members

Wayne Memorial High School's Class of 1957 is planing its 40th anniversary reunion on Oct. 11, and members of its reunion committee hope to find all of its missing members before that date.

The event is planned to begin at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 11 at the Ramada Inn, 8270 Wickham Road, Romulus, and continued through the evening with dining and dancing.

Guests are requested to bring photographs from their high school days.

According to the reunion

committee, the following peo-ple are on the Wanted List: Pat Bakity, George Berkholder, Darlene Bosh, Donna (Campbell) Bigness, Marlan Chapman, Barbara Copland, Shirley Daniels Pat (Lane) Gorney, Ella Duflo, Alda Gilbert, Joan Goslin, Mary Hayes, Nelson Mercado, Karen (Jewell) Wendt, Rosalle (Kurukas) Collins, Joe Kovacs, Velta Fay (Lance) James, Judy Lunt, Keith Nunelly, Julido Rivera, Dianne (Parr) Poronto, Ruby (Pitcher) Bliss, Anita (Smith) White, Arlene (Ross) Linton,

Evelyn Jean (Schultz) Piros, Karen Maysilles, Joyce Sportzynski, Robert Stafford, Jarrie Tent, Ken Stilson and Donald

Also on the Wanted List are Don Ballingall, Marveline Bollinger, Harvey Carmilli, Nancy (Carl) Ford, Shirley Cone, Nancy Craze, Richard Denoyer, Frances Donahee, Sonja (Ellison) Bridenthal, Barbara Good, Donald Gough, Barbara Helka, Sylvia Hosler, Jane Jones, Mary (Kennedy) Boston, Irene (La Fortune) Steslicke, Kenny Langstraat,

Mike Menzies, Elaine (Rogers) Murray, Phil Odum, Beverly Patterson, Richard Radke, Robert Richardson, Judy (Scantland) Edmonds, Frances (Donahee) Smith, Elizabeth (Sowers) Papin, Beverly Sprouse, Donald Stinson, Betty Turner, Rollan Watson and Richard Whitney.

Anyone who has informa-tion on the missing members of the Class of '57 may contact Frank McMurray, 5773 Canton Center Road, Canton, Mich. 48187 or call him at 455-3200 (office) or 475-8181 (home).

#### SEND INFORMATION

Items for the Community Calendar should be submitted in writing at least one to two weeks in advance of publication to "Community Calendar, Michigan Community Newspapers, 35540 Michigan Ave., Wayne, MI., 48184. Each brief calendar event should be listed on a separate piece of paper. For more information call the newsroom at 729-4000 ext.

**Hunter Education Class Pre**registration is required for classes sponsored by the Wayne County Sportsman's Club at 18102 S. Inkster Road in Romulus the weekends of Sept. 20 and 21, Oct. 11 and 12 and Nov. 1 and 2.

The class includes 12 hours of instruction over two days, beginning 8 a.m. on Saturdays and 9 a.m. on Sundays. Cost of the course is \$8.50 for the course and \$2.75 each day for

lunch. Brown bagging lunch is an option.

To pre-register call Wayne County Hunter Education Instructor Coordinator Bill Miller at 313-532-0285.

LIFE CHAIN The annual Life Chain celebration marking support for the unborn and their mothers will take place along Woodward Avenue in Detroit from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Oct. 5. The event that is cosponsored by various Western Wayne churches urges pro-life supporters to join a chain of Christians and others who form a chain of support with signs bearing the words "Abortions kill children."

Further information can be obtained by calling 313-533-9090.

**PUMPKIN FESTIVAL** The first Romulus Pumpkin Festival will be held Sept. 20 and 21 on the recently improved Goddard road in downtown Romulus. Christian and secular roads. Over 200 quilts will be musical groups will be performing Saturday and Sunday and numerous youth related contests will be conducted.

FOUNDER'S DAY CELEBRA-TION The 16th annual Yankee Air Museum's Founder's Day Celebration dinner dance will be held at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 20 at the museum located at Beck and Ecorse roads at Willow Run Airport in Belleville. A pancake breakfast will be held the morning of Sept. 21 beginning at 9 a.m. Further information can be obtained by calling 313-483-4030.

HARVEST GATHERING CARD PARTY The card party is slated from 6:30 to 10 p.m. on Oct. 10 at SS Simon and Jude Church at 32500 Palmer road in Westland. Tickets are \$6 with the funds being used to support the church's building fund. Light meals and snacks will be available. Further information is available by calling 728-2090 or 729-2716.

VFW POST 50TH ANNIVER-SARY Romulus Post 9568, Veterans of Foreign Wars will mark their 50th anniversary with a dinner dance beginning at 6 p.m. Sept. 27 at the Romulus Progressive Hall. A 16 piece band will offer music of the 40's, 50's and 60's and an open bar will be offered. Tickets cost \$25.

QUILT FESTIVAL The 15th annual Festival of Quilts and Crafats will be offered Oct. 3 and 4 at the First United Methodist Church of Dearborn located at Garrison and Mason

on display. Admission is \$2. The hours are from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Other activities include a silent auction, bake sale and handcraft bazaar. For more information call Shirley Barrick at 277-0065 or the church office at 563-5200.

SPEECH AND LANGUAGE IN-FORMATION NIGHT Romulus Special Needs Parent Advisory Committee workshop is slated for 7 o'clock tonight at Halecreek School Media Center. For further information call 941-7330 or 9 1 4249.

#### REUNIONS

Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem Class of 1987-Ten year reunion at the Novi Hilton on Nov. 1, 1997. Call the Reunion Works at 313-397-8766.

Romulus High Class of 1977-20th year reunion-dinner dance being held at Hilton Suites in Romulus, 8600 Wickham road. Saturday Oct. 25 at 6 p.m. Tickets cost \$48 per person. For more information call Terrie Holmes at 313-955-9975 and Cathey (Fyfe) Dimco 313-291 0412.

Highland Park High Class of 1947--January and June classes. Looking for graduates or their friends to contact. Call Dan Benyas at 1-810-737-1983 or 1-888-456-1947

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#### Girl born to Westland parents

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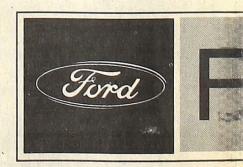
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Dr. and Mrs. Tyrone Anthony Holmes were married recently at the Church of Christ in Westland. A reception followed at Laurel Manor in

#### Fowler-Holmes vows exchanged

By THEOLA JONES MCN Special Writer

Angela Theresa Fowler and Dr. Tyrone Anthony Holmes exchanged wedding vows in a candle-lit ceremony at the Church Of Christ in Westland recently.

The lovely bride wore a dazzling white satin gown and veil, trimmed with miniature embedded roses, tiny glistening pearls, and a flowing train.

Over 300 guests attended the ceremony officiated by Rev. Elmon Prier, Rev. Terrell Jackson and Rev. Henry J. Healey. A gala reception following at the Laurel Manor in Livonia; red and white roses floating in crystal vases with red ribbons, adorned the tables. The brides' parents are Mr. and Mrs. James A. Fowler; the grooms' parents are Mr. and Mrs. A. Holmes.

Michelle King of Miami, Florida was the matron of honor; Coleman A. Holmes (brother of the groom) of Teaneck, New Jersey was the best man. The bridesmaids were Rhonda Fowler, Denise Hudson, Dr. Allison Lowery, Marcia Martin, Linda Sims and Dr. Delitha Taylor. Groomsmen were Ralph Hardin, Rev. Andre Healey, Solyn Laney, Eric Rivera, Paul Reyes, and Keith Sims. Flower girl was Erica Jackson and ring bearer was Brandon Clark. Special participants' directors were: Phyllis Martin, Renau Grays and Pamela Brown.

The newlyweds left immediately following the reception on their honeymoon, which included two destinations, Disney World, and a romantic cruise to Nassau in the

#### RECAP wins award

By AL POST MCN Staff Writer

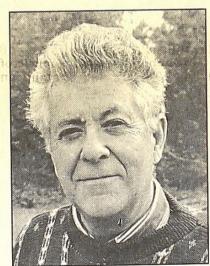
RECAP, the long fighting anti-environmental deepwell citizens group of Romulus, will be inducted into the "Grass-roots Hall of Fame" in Arlington, Va. on Oct. 5.

R.P. Lilly, spokesperson for the group known as Romulus Environmentalists Caring About People, revealed he was informed of the honor last week via a letter from Lois Marie Gibbs, executive director of of the Center for Health, Environment and Justice.

Gibbs earned national acclaim, Lilly said, because of her work on Love Canal issues.

Lilly was not sure which member of RECAP would be on hand to accept the award on Oct. 5 at the Crystal Gateway Marriott in Arlington.

RECAP members in recent years have helped research the fight against Environmental Disposal Systems' effort to



R.P. Lilly

create the first commercial deepwell project in the state of Michigan.

The city of Romulus has spent over \$700,000 in legal fees to keep the wells from operating within the city.

The legal battle is still in

#### 100 youngsters participated in Romulus Library program

MCN Staff Writer

More than 100 area youngsters took part in the highly successful Romulus Public Library's summer reading program code named "Be Eager about Reading" (BEAR), Youth Services Librarian Shelley De-Lano revealed Monday.

To symbolize the BEAR program a large black bear was placed on display behind the main desks of the library and a score of smaller toy bears were placed about the library.

The reason she calls it a "total success," DeLano said, is because these youth read for 64,979 minutes during this summer. That translates to 1,083 hours or approximately 45 days. Everyone who participated was a winner, she said.

DeLano added the children enjoyed special programs at the library each week. The last program included prizes, awards, entertainment and refreshments.

Guessing the number of gummi bears and teddi grahams was won by two young ladies, Antoinette Ruffolo and Kayla Bondie, both of Huron Township, DeLano revealed.

Their guesses of 673 was closest to the actual number of 671. They both received large Teddy Bears donated by State Farm Insurance in New Bos-

The entertainment was sponsored by the Friends of the Romulus Public Library and prizes were purchased with a donation from the Romulus Chamber of Commerce and the Romulus IGA grocery

In addition McDonald's of Romulus on Wayne road donated certificates and the necessary provisions for the ending party. DeLano extended her thanks to both the participants and area spon-

She added "we are already looking forward to next year's program, and hope to see everyone at the library throughout the year."

DeLano concluded "if you participated in B.E.A.R Summer Reading be sure and pick up your bag of goodies at the library. It's never too late."

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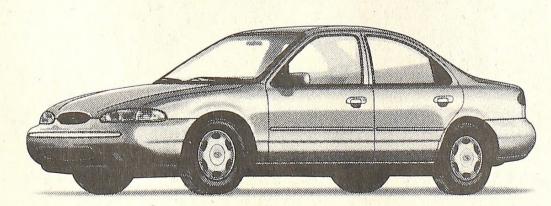
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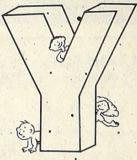
On Monday, Oct. 13, Rick Instome, chairman of Inacom Corp., a Fortune 500 company, will speak on "Knowledge Revolution" at the next Madonna University McManus Distinquished Business Lecture.
The presentation will take place at 7 p.m. in Kresge Hall and admission is free.

Inatome has earned a repu-

tation as a progressive thinker and business visionary. In 1989, he founded Computer City, one of the country's leading computer superstore chains. He is also a principal shareholder and co-chairman of American Speedy Printing Centers, Inc., the nation's fourth largest quick-printing chain, approaching systemwide sales of \$185 million.

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#### Calling All Owners of Children's Books!

Dear Mr. Ross: I'm a second grade teacher at from the cockles of our hearts! Preston Elementary in Rialto, California. Most of the families living in this area are low income. Our students here are the best and I would not want to move to another school for any reason.

The problem I'm having is with books. Many of my students do not have books at home and the only time they are read to is at school. It's so important for them to read and to be read to as often as possible. I have hit the libraries, Salvation Army, garage sales and ordered from book clubs. I'm sure you're aware of a teacher's salary. So far this year I have spent over \$1,000 on supplies. Granted, no one was holding a gun to my head to buy these things-I did so for the benefit of my children. I would appreciate any type of help I could get from you. I do not care if the books are new or used. My class will love them any way they come! My goal is to make a difference, so that each student can be successful all through his or her life. I feel that getting children to read is the first step in that direction. Ms. L. W. ... The Sun, San Bernardino, CA

Dear Readers: I know plenty of you have children's books collecting dust, for which you have no further use. For the cost of postage you can make a big difference in the life of a child. Please send your age appropriate books to: Ms. Lisa Waite, c/o Preston Elementary, 1750 No. Willow Dr., Rialto, CA 92376.

In doing so, you'll help develop reading skills for these kids and stimulate their imagination. Wouldn't you rather see a child grow up in the world of Dr. Seuss than in the world of drugs and violence?

Dear Mr. Ross: I live in a mission for homeless men. There are about 20 of us, plus nightly transients. Our 30 cup coffee maker has burned out and we have been unable to get a replacement. Do you think you could help out with a new coffee pot and a few pounds of coffee? If so, me and the other transients thank you Write Percy Ross, P.O. Box 39000-B, Minneapolis, MN 55439. Include your phone number and the name of this

publication. All letters are read. Only a few are answered in this column; others may be acknowledged privately



#### Dear Miss L.: If only you'd be willing to settle for a marriage license, cigar bands and a justice of the peace, you could be married. If you change your set of criteria, I have \$300 earmarked for just that occasion. Editor's note: You may visit Percy Ross' web site at

Mr. H. B. ... Free Press, Chattanooga, TN

Dear Mr. B.: I'm always slightly awed when I

receive letters from seemingly intelligent people,

who possesses grammar skills and the ability to

spell. How it is that they would be homeless? Then

I remind myself that life is about choices. Some

people choose to fall out of society, others are the

victims of someone else's poor choices. What does that have to do with your request? When it

comes to coffee there are plenty of choices to

make. What kind of bean? What style of roasting?

Is it a blend? Whatever the choice, be it lifestyle or

coffee preference, you need to start somewhere,

and we'll get you started with a new coffee maker.

blunder, yet God shines favorably on me. I'm 34 years

old and have met the love of my life. We want to get

married. If only... (I have a list 10 miles long). If only I

wasn't \$15,000 in debt. If only I could lose 40 pounds.

If only I had someone to watch my kids for a long

weekend. If only my love could afford to get dentures.

If only he had two nickels to rub together. Quite

honestly we can't scrape together enough for a mar-

riage license, rings, suit, dress, flowers and a small

reception. At the rate we're going it will be the year

2010 before we see the light of day. If only I could find

Miss R. L. ... The Journal, Rockford, IL

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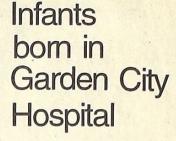
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The following infants were born in Garden City Hospital: Macie Nicole Blanchard was born Aug. 3 to Ron and Lori Blanchard of Wayne.

The infant has a brother, Ryan, 6.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John McLellan of Westland and Mr. and Mrs. Ted. Blanchard of Florida.

Devin Richard Hamm was born Aug. 5 to Frank Hamm and Michelle Painter of Garden City.

Grandparents are Rick and Patty Hamm, Daryl Painter and Kay Perkins.

Joshua Lloyd Ray was born Aug. 5 to Lloyd and Rochell Ray of Inkster.

Siblings are Lloyd Jr., Lloyd II, and Raymond Ray.

Gradnparents are Betty David of Inkster and Nadine Williams of New York.

Eric Allen MacNeil was born Aug. 9 to Don and Sheila MacNeil of Garden City.

The infant's siblings are Kastein, 7, and Brianna, 2.

Grandparents are Mike and Jackie MacNeil of Lincoln Park and Robert and Winnie Hickkel of Westland.

Zeabrenna Jacqulyn Evans was born Aug. 11 to Rebecca Evens and William Stafiej.

Grandparents are Robert and Jacqulyn Evans, Colleen Hicks and Paul Stafiej.

Sarah Grace Curtis was born Aug. 12 to Mark and Elizabeth Curtis.

Grandparents are Harold and Linda Curtis and Virginia



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#### **Garden surprise**

Romulus gardener Hank Tkachuk discovered a surprise when he checked his potato plants last week. One bore three green tomatoes. Tkachuk will wait until the tomatoes mature, before he checks to see what is underground.MCN photo by Lori Gillespie



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#### MUCC study debunks myths about wetlands program

Common myths about the state's wetland protection program have proven to be largely false, according to a study released today by the Michigan United Conservation Clubs

The report, titled A Review of Michigan's Performance in Wetlands Regulations, is based on a year long analysis of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources' and Department of Environmental Quality administration of the program from 1984 through

"Throughout the history of wetlands regulations in Michigan, we've heard consistent complaints about delays, unfair treatment and stonewalling in the program," Richard L. Jameson, Executive Director of MUCC. "Our study has shown that MDNR has provided excellent service to a majority of permit applicants over the years."

The study entailed a detailed review of a random sample of program files from the program years 1984, 1989 and 1995. Three district offices were selected for review, Jackson, Cadillac and Newberry, to assess any geographic differences in program administration. A total of 368 files, representing more than two percent of the department's total permit load for the three study years, were analyzed.

The study examined the outcome of individual permit applications in terms of whether a permit was issued or denied, how long the process took, how often the department requested additional information, and whether mitigation was required. The scope of the research was designed specifically to address common complaints about the program during its stormy 18-year history.

Key findings of the research show that permits were issued in about 75 percent of the cases examined, while less

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than seven percent were denied. The remaining files were either withdrawn by the applicant or closed by the department for lack of information. Nearly two-thirds of the applications were acted on in 90 days or less, with more than one in five processed within one month of receipt. Additional information was required in about half of the cases, and in all instances was

judged to be consistent with statutory requirements.

Richard X. Moore, Senior Resource Policy Specialist and author of the MUCC report, said the research was conducted to provide factual information about the wetlands program to policy makers to balance out the emotional rhetoric that often dominates the debate.

"The controversy over wet-

lands protection is often long on accusation and short of fact," Moore said. "We wanted to examine the program in a totally objective fashion and leave all the strong opinions, including our own, in the background.'

Moore also pointed out that the study did not significantly address the administration of the program under the current Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. "Only three months out of the three program years we examined were under MDEQ leadership," Moore explained. "We did not examine in any way whether the current department does things differently from MDNR.

The study was funded in part by a grant from the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation of Flint, Michigan. Neither the Mott Foundation nor any other organization or agency has endorsed the findings of the report.

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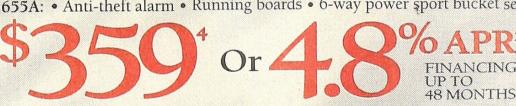
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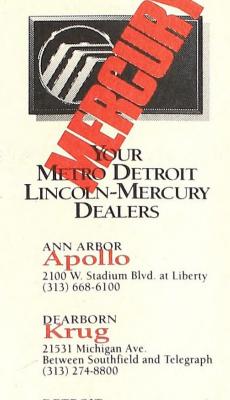


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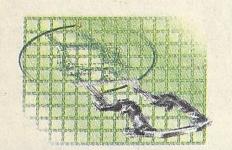
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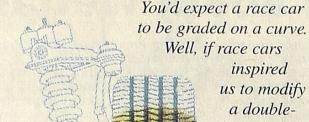
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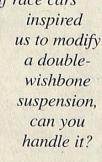
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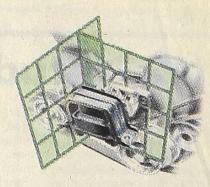




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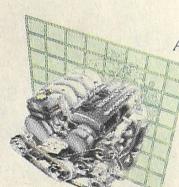


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